

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Henderson County HELP Center celebrated the 30th
2 anniversary of its founding in 2020, providing a fitting
3 opportunity to reflect on the organization's myriad contributions
4 to the community; and

5 WHEREAS, In 1990, the HELP Center was launched by a group of
6 churches and individuals in order to connect local residents in
7 need with valuable resources and support; since its inception, the
8 organization has been instrumental in the creation of various
9 programs, including the United Way HELP Line, services for pregnant
10 and parenting teens, and mental health and substance abuse
11 counseling services for youth; in addition, the HELP Center was
12 tasked with developing a local Children's Advocacy Center, and in
13 1999, Maggie's House was established to assist victims of child
14 abuse and neglect; this program annually supports more than 300
15 children, and it was accredited by Children's Advocacy Centers of
16 Texas in 2000 and the National Children's Alliance in 2015; and

17 WHEREAS, The HELP Center serves thousands of individuals each
18 year through case management, counseling, onsite medical exams, and
19 family advocacy; the group benefits from the leadership of its
20 executive director, Leslie Saunders, as well as the dedicated
21 efforts of local law enforcement professionals, public officials,
22 and health care workers, who assist the center in its mission to
23 ensure that Henderson County residents of all ages have the tools
24 they need to overcome adversity; and

1 WHEREAS, Over the course of three decades, the Henderson
2 County HELP Center has rendered exceptional service to many area
3 Texans, and it truly merits special recognition on the occasion of
4 this milestone year; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
6 Legislature hereby commemorate the 30th anniversary of the
7 Henderson County HELP Center and extend to all those associated
8 with the institution sincere best wishes for continued success;
9 and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for the Henderson County HELP Center as an expression of
12 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

Bell of Kaufman

H.R. No. 293

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 293 was adopted by the House on March 18, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House