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H.R. No. 991

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, During the fight to contain the spread of COVID-19,
2 Ellis County has benefited from the tireless work of many dedicated
3 community leaders, health care professionals, organizations, and
4 volunteers; and

5 WHEREAS, Among those assisting with the county's pandemic
6 response, Samantha Pickett has ably led the Ellis County Emergency
7 Management team, which coordinates efforts before, during, and
8 after disasters; in addition, numerous county and city officials
9 have been a source of guidance and relief to area residents; and

10 WHEREAS, First responders and medical personnel throughout
11 Ellis County have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to
12 ensuring the health and safety of their fellow Texans; Dr. Leigh
13 Nordstrom has served as the appointed health authority, and since
14 March 2020, she has been instrumental in the implementation of the
15 county's vaccination program; moreover, the administrators and
16 staff of Methodist Midlothian Medical Center and Ennis Regional
17 Medical Center have continued to provide patients with vital
18 medical care while adapting to the challenges posed by the
19 pandemic; and

20 WHEREAS, The county's recovery efforts have been further
21 strengthened by local organizations and the generous volunteers
22 that serve them; many clinics and pharmacies have diligently
23 administered vaccines, and Baylor Scott & White Health helped
24 establish a vaccination hub at the Waxahachie Senior Activity

1 Center; other organizations and churches have provided food,
2 emotional support, and financial assistance to people in need; and

3 WHEREAS, Although the COVID-19 pandemic has placed immense
4 burdens on our communities, residents of Ellis County have been
5 indeed fortunate to count so many selfless and committed leaders
6 among their fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
8 Legislature hereby commend the community leaders, health care
9 professionals, organizations, and volunteers of Ellis County for
10 their contributions during the COVID-19 pandemic and extend to them
11 sincere appreciation for their continuing efforts.