RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Over the past year, Amistad Community Health Center 2 has demonstrated an exceptional commitment to serving a medically vulnerable population in South Texas that has been especially 3 hard-hit by the COVID-19 health crisis; and 4 5 WHEREAS, In 2005, Amistad was founded as a not-for-profit, faith-based organization with the mission of providing quality 6 7 health care to a growing number of uninsured residents in the Corpus Christi community; a Federally Qualified Health Center, the group 8 9 offers a comprehensive range of services in the areas of pediatrics, women's health, family health, dental care, behavioral 10 11 health, psychiatric care, and diabetes treatment and prevention to 12 all patients in need, regardless of their ability to pay; in May 2020, Amistad opened a second location in Nueces County that has 13 14 significantly contributed to the health of residents of Robstown and its neighboring rural colonias; and 15 WHEREAS, Amistad's patients have been disproportionately 16 impacted by COVID-19; throughout the pandemic, the center has 17 maintained capacity and staffing levels to continue providing 18 much-needed services; its employees have worked diligently to 19 facilitate access to telemedicine visits, and the organization has 20 21 also set up a temporary building in order to isolate COVID-19 patients and clients suspected of having the virus; in addition, 22 23 Amistad has partnered with Nueces County and the City of Corpus

Christi to secure necessary support to more effectively treat

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- 1 patients with COVID-19 at its Nueces County clinic; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Amistad Community Health Center has been an
- 3 essential resource to many area Texans, including families who have
- 4 been most in need of assistance in this time of crisis, and the
- 5 organization is indeed deserving of special recognition for its
- 6 efforts; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby honor Amistad Community Health Center for its
- 9 dedicated service to area residents during the COVID-19 pandemic
- 10 and extend sincere best wishes to its administrators, health care
- 11 providers, and staff; and, be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 13 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the
- 14 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1536 was adopted by the House on May 29, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House