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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Over the past year, Amistad Community Health Center
2 has demonstrated an exceptional commitment to serving a medically
3 vulnerable population in South Texas that has been especially
4 hard-hit by the COVID-19 health crisis; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2005, Amistad was founded as a not-for-profit,
6 faith-based organization with the mission of providing quality
7 health care to a growing number of uninsured residents in the Corpus
8 Christi community; a Federally Qualified Health Center, the group
9 offers a comprehensive range of services in the areas of
10 pediatrics, women's health, family health, dental care, behavioral
11 health, psychiatric care, and diabetes treatment and prevention to
12 all patients in need, regardless of their ability to pay; in May
13 2020, Amistad opened a second location in Nueces County that has
14 significantly contributed to the health of residents of Robstown
15 and its neighboring rural colonias; and

16 WHEREAS, Amistad's patients have been disproportionately
17 impacted by COVID-19; throughout the pandemic, the center has
18 maintained capacity and staffing levels to continue providing
19 much-needed services; its employees have worked diligently to
20 facilitate access to telemedicine visits, and the organization has
21 also set up a temporary building in order to isolate COVID-19
22 patients and clients suspected of having the virus; in addition,
23 Amistad has partnered with Nueces County and the City of Corpus
24 Christi to secure necessary support to more effectively treat

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.