RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 global pandemic has required health care professionals to confront extraordinary, evolving, and historic challenges, and the physicians, nurses, allied health care staff, support staff, and administration of Northwest Texas Healthcare System have, together as a professional health care team, heroically stood on the front lines in the war against this contagious and deadly virus, and they have resolutely persevered in the face of tremendous adversity wrought by the unseen enemy; and

WHEREAS, At the outset of the pandemic, hospitals throughout Texas, including Northwest Texas Healthcare System, intently focused on many matters, including preparedness measures, infection control protocols and screenings, personal protective equipment, and the coordination of response efforts with nearby hospitals; and

WHEREAS, The unwavering collective resolve and fortitude demonstrated by the staff of Northwest Texas Healthcare System is the latest chapter in its history of caring for its patients and the community; established in 1924, Northwest Texas Healthcare System is an acute care facility and medical center nationally known for its heart, emergency, stroke, and pediatric services; an advanced level III trauma facility, the emergency department has expanded to include freestanding locations; and

WHEREAS, Although COVID-19 put a tremendous strain on hospitals across the country, the professional team of Northwest
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Texas Healthcare System worked together to provide medical care to patients and to the community-at-large under extremely physically and mentally exhausting circumstances; and

WHEREAS, In resolutely facing, adapting to, and overcoming the ever-evolving and unprecedented health care circumstances thrust upon them, all associated with the hospital are indeed deserving of recognition for their tireless heroic work on the front lines in the war against COVID-19; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby commend the physicians, nurses, and all frontline personnel as well as the support staff and administration of Northwest Texas Healthcare System for their outstanding, noble, and heroic service to the people of Amarillo, the greater Texas Panhandle, and the Tri-State region of Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the staff of Northwest Texas Healthcare System as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.