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H.C.R. No. 24

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The National Life Monument celebrates the miracle of
2 life and the women at the center of that miracle; and

3 WHEREAS, Sculpted by artist Timothy Schmalz, the bronze
4 sculpture depicts a mother with an unborn child cradled in a
5 world-shaped womb; and

6 WHEREAS, The eight-foot bronze statue was permanently
7 installed at the Church of San Marcello al Corso in Rome in May
8 2022, and after a tour of the U.S., the original Life Monument was
9 installed at the Theological College in Washington, D.C.; and

10 WHEREAS, Under Chapter [443](#), Government Code, and rules of the
11 State Preservation Board, a portion of the north Capitol grounds is
12 available for new monuments, subject to legislative approval,
13 specified procedural requirements, the provision of funding from
14 private donors, conformity to certain size and design limitations
15 and parameters, and completion on a timely basis; and

16 WHEREAS, A replica of the monument on the Capitol grounds
17 would provide a communal place for Texans to celebrate the beauty of
18 human life; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas,
20 3rd Called Session, hereby authorize the State Preservation Board,
21 subject to state law and rules of the board, to approve the
22 construction of a replica of the National Life Monument at the State
23 Capitol Complex, at a site outside of the historic Capitol grounds;
24 and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward an
2 official copy of this resolution to the executive director of the
3 State Preservation Board.