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H.R. No. 159

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity Texas is holding its annual Day
2 at the Dome Capitol Build on February 7, 2023, and this occasion
3 provides a welcome opportunity to recognize Jefferson County for
4 its support of the Habitat for Humanity affiliate in Beaumont; and

5 WHEREAS, The world's largest not-for-profit homebuilder,
6 Habitat for Humanity International has assisted more than 4 million
7 people in constructing, rehabilitating, or preserving over 800,000
8 homes all around the globe; and

9 WHEREAS, Home ownership has a direct impact on financial
10 stability, long-term educational achievement, and good health, yet
11 with rising costs and interest rates, it is an increasingly
12 difficult goal to achieve; one in every seven Texans must spend over
13 half their monthly income on a house payment; and

14 WHEREAS, Habitat aids working families who qualify for an
15 interest-free mortgage based on their income; the program's
16 homebuyers must commit more than 200 hours of "sweat equity" to the
17 construction of their home; and

18 WHEREAS, Founded as Beaumont Habitat for Humanity in 1978,
19 Habitat for Humanity of Jefferson County ranks as one of the oldest
20 Habitat affiliates in the United States; to date, this single
21 affiliate has built more than 122 homes accommodating over 500
22 residents of the Mid Counties/Triangle area; the walls built at
23 this year's Day of the Dome event will be shipped to Jefferson
24 County and incorporated in a house for a lifelong Beaumont resident

1 and her three sons; and

2 WHEREAS, Through its support for Habitat for Humanity,
3 Jefferson County is helping to make the benefits of home ownership
4 more attainable, and it is truly a pleasure to acknowledge the
5 county's contributions on this occasion; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
7 Legislature hereby honor Jefferson County for its support of
8 Jefferson County Habitat for Humanity and extend to all those
9 involved in the Day at the Dome Capitol Build sincere best wishes
10 for a memorable and enjoyable event; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for Jefferson County as an expression of high regard by the
13 Texas House of Representatives.