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H.C.R. No. 109

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 89th Legislature of the State of Texas
20 hereby authorize the State Preservation Board, subject to state law
21 and rules of the board, to approve the construction of a replica of
22 the National Life Monument at the State Capitol Complex, at a site
23 outside of the historic Capitol grounds; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward an

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1 official copy of this resolution to the executive director of the
2 State Preservation Board.