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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.