

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53

BY REPRESENTATIVES PRESSLY, BAGLEY, CREWS, HORTON, JEFFERSON,
JENKINS, MCCORMICK, MCMAHEN, PHELPS, SEABAUGH, AND TURNER
AND SENATORS MILLIGAN, ROBERT MILLS, PEACOCK, AND TARVER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Shriners Hospitals for Children on the occasion of the
network's one hundredth anniversary

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Shriners Hospitals for Children on the occasion of the one hundredth
3 anniversary of the healthcare network.

4 WHEREAS, in 1920 members of the Shriners Masonic society unanimously passed
5 a resolution during the Imperial Session of the Shriners in Portland, Oregon; that resolution
6 was the beginning of a network of hospitals now known as the Shriners Hospitals for
7 Children; the first hospital in the system opened in Shreveport, Louisiana, in 1922 and
8 provided pediatric orthopaedic care; and

9 WHEREAS, the mission of Shriners Hospitals for Children is to provide the highest
10 quality care to children with neuromusculoskeletal conditions, burn injuries, and other
11 special healthcare needs within a compassionate, family-centered, and collaborative care
12 environment; and

13 WHEREAS, Shriners Hospitals also provide for the education of physicians and
14 other healthcare professionals and conduct research that improves the quality of care and
15 quality of life of children and families; and

16 WHEREAS, Shriners Hospitals' commitment to providing quality healthcare for all
17 children has been evidenced on numerous occasions throughout the past century; one such
18 example occurred in 1962, when the Shriners of North America committed \$10 million to
19 establish three hospitals that specialized in the treatment and rehabilitation of burned
20 children; the society toured twenty-one university-based medical institutions before deciding

1 to build their first pediatric burn hospital on the campus of the University of Texas Medical
2 Branch in Galveston, Texas; and

3 WHEREAS, Shriners Hospitals have continued to provide top-tier medical services
4 to children across the world because of the generosity of many donors; in May 2015,
5 Shriners Hospitals for Children became members of the Mayo Clinic Care Network, a
6 national network of organizations committed to better serving patients and their families
7 through physician collaboration; and

8 WHEREAS, Shiner's Children's Shreveport is unshakeably dedicated to bringing
9 hope and healing to families in the Shreveport community and beyond by making their lives
10 less complex throughout their stay; the first-ever Shiner's Children's hospital has evolved
11 tremendously over the last century offering pediatric orthopedics services from a team of
12 highly-trained and experienced physicians and specialists; this team is comprehensively
13 equipped with the necessary knowledge and resources to treat even the most complex
14 pediatric orthopedic conditions; the hospital also offers cleft lip and palate care and fracture
15 care from a separate team of medical specialists; in addition to these, the hospital also
16 provides services in the field of sports medicine and specialty care for children with
17 craniofacial conditions, scoliosis, limb length discrepancy, juvenile idiopathic arthritis, and
18 cerebral palsy; and

19 WHEREAS, Shriners Children's Shreveport is part of an international pediatric
20 health care system of hospitals, clinics, ambulatory surgery centers, and global outreach;
21 they are committed to providing a full range of programs, services, and support while caring
22 for children in a warm, welcoming, and reassuring environment; and

23 WHEREAS, Shriners Hospitals for Children constitute an incredibly inspiring
24 charitable organization that is most deserving of recognition, and the state of Louisiana and
25 the city of Shreveport are proud to call themselves home to the first Shriners Hospital for
26 Children.

27 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
28 commend Shriners Hospitals for Children on the occasion of the one hundredth anniversary
29 of the healthcare network; does hereby recognize Shriners Hospitals for their unrelenting
30 dedication to the care of all children across the globe; does hereby further recognize Shriners

1 Children's Shreveport for continuing to expand its services and operations in the face of
2 economic hardships over the course of the past century; and does hereby extend sincerest
3 wishes that Shiners Hospitals for Children and Shriners Children's Shreveport continue to
4 receive the necessary support to continue serving all children for centuries to come.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
6 hospital administrator of Shriners Children's Hospital in Shreveport.

DIGEST

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Pressly

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