

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7053

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A RESOLUTION to honor the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and Quinco Community Mental Health Centers on their service to the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (TDMHSAS) provides funding and resources for thirteen community-based Mobile Crisis Respond Teams across the State, which partner with other community providers to make mental health professionals available around the clock for evaluation and services related to a mental health crisis for children, youth, and adults; and

WHEREAS, TDMHSAS Crisis Services can be accessed through a Statewide Crisis Hotline or through the National Suicide Crisis Line. Each contracted mental health provider also has toll-free crisis hotlines that are advertised and published in the areas they serve; and

WHEREAS, an additional level of mental health care includes nine community-based walk-in centers across Tennessee that are staffed around the clock to provide emergency mental health services and evaluation; if additional intervention is needed, individuals can receive services from one of the eight crisis stabilization units across the State that provide around-the-clock care through intensive short-term stabilization in a residential setting; and

WHEREAS, licensed by the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Quinco Community Mental Health Centers, located in Bolivar, is a premier mental health center focusing on substance abuse and mental health treatments for patients of all ages; and

WHEREAS, Quinco provides a number of services to its clients, including alcohol rehabilitation therapy, assisted living centers, case management, child therapy, crisis counseling, depression disorder treatment, family therapy, group therapy, individual therapy,

outpatient mental health counseling, psychiatric evaluations, psychiatric medication, suicide counseling, and substance abuse therapy; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and its contracted community mental health providers who partner with law enforcement and community healthcare providers to support public safety for Tennesseans believe that a critical element of public safety is the immediate and ongoing availability and accessibility of mental health services; now, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and Quinco Community Mental Health Centers for their continuing efforts to support mental health services to address the safety of Tennesseans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.