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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy
2 students from across the state are gathering in Austin on
3 February 28, 2023, in celebration of Texas Pharmacy Day at the
4 State Capitol; and

5 WHEREAS, The history of the pharmacy profession in Texas
6 dates back to the 17th century, when Spanish explorers and
7 missionaries dispensed medicines and learned about Native American
8 remedies; and

9 WHEREAS, Today, pharmacists often serve as the primary point
10 of contact with the health care system for tens of millions of
11 Americans, and they play an increasingly important role in
12 counseling patients on the safe and effective use of prescription
13 medications; during the COVID-19 pandemic, pharmacists have
14 provided access to testing, treatment, and vaccination, services
15 that have helped to save countless lives and to limit the spread of
16 the virus in their communities; and

17 WHEREAS, Pharmacists work to provide affordable, lifesaving
18 medications in rural areas across Texas and the United States;
19 these valued members of the community live and work alongside
20 patients as neighbors, friends, and community leaders in addition
21 to their role as medical providers; such lasting relationships
22 build trust and confidence, making pharmacists better able to serve
23 as a resource when questions and concerns arise; and

24 WHEREAS, Champions on the front lines of health care,

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1 pharmacists contribute immeasurably to the health and well-being of
2 their fellow Texans, and it is truly a pleasure to recognize the
3 members of this vital profession for their commitment to the
4 quality of life in their communities; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
6 Legislature hereby recognize February 28, 2023, as Texas Pharmacy
7 Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those participating
8 sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable event.