

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 401

WHEREAS, Promotores and community health workers from across the Lone Star State are gathering in Austin on April 14, 2023, for the 13th annual Día de la Mujer Latina conference; and

WHEREAS, A promotores and community health workers apprenticeship program, Día de la Mujer Latina was established in 1997 to eliminate health disparities and promote healthy behaviors within the Latino community; active in 39 U.S. states as well as Puerto Rico, Mexico, and the Dominican Republic, the organization provides access to a wide variety of services, including early-detection screenings and preventative care interventions, in addition to its certificate training programs for promotores and community health workers; and

WHEREAS, Vital to the communities they serve, promotores work tirelessly for preventive care and wellness among the most vulnerable and underserved residents in minority populations; these dedicated caregivers integrate education about general health and the public health care system into a diversity of cultures, languages, and value systems, and in so doing, they improve access to health care, social services, and insurance statewide; moreover, they conduct outreach programs in residences, community centers, clinics, and a variety of other venues; and

WHEREAS, More than a quarter century ago, Texas became the first state to pass legislation related to outreach and education programs for these essential community health workers, and other states have since gone on to follow Texas' example; and

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WHEREAS, Promotores and community health workers play a critical role in addressing the needs of a significant portion of the population, and they are indeed deserving of recognition for their invaluable contributions to the health and vitality of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby commemorate the 13th annual Día de la Mujer Latina conference and extend to all promotores and community health workers in Texas sincere best wishes for continued success with their important work; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Día de la Mujer Latina as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 12, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate