

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 265

WHEREAS, World Down Syndrome Day is being held at the State Capitol on March 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Down syndrome, the most commonly occurring chromosomal condition, occurs in individuals who have a full or partial extra copy of chromosome 21; one of every 700 babies born in the United States each year is born with Down syndrome; and

WHEREAS, Medical advances have significantly increased the life expectancy of people with Down syndrome, which is now approaching that of peers without the condition; in addition to the advantages of modern medicine, support groups and other resources are now available in nearly every community in the United States; and

WHEREAS, When provided with quality education programs, a stimulating home environment, good health care, and support from family and friends, individuals with Down syndrome can lead fulfilling and productive lives; much progress has been made through the vision and hard work of parents, researchers, medical professionals, and other advocates, who have helped secure the rights of people with Down syndrome to live at home, attend schools, access appropriate health care, get married, find work, and contribute to society; and

WHEREAS, In 2011, the United Nations General Assembly declared March 21 as World Down Syndrome Day; this year, the State of Texas is joining with countries around the globe in recognition of this special event, and all Texans are encouraged to take part by helping to build a culture of greater respect and inclusion for those living with Down syndrome; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby recognize March 21, 2025, as World Down Syndrome Day at the State Capitol.

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Alvarado	Hagenbuch	Middleton
Bettencourt	Hall	Miles
Birdwell	Hancock	Nichols
Blanco	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	Parker
Campbell	Hinojosa of Nueces	Paxton
Cook	Huffman	Perry
Creighton	Hughes	Schwertner
Eckhardt	Johnson	Sparks
Flores	Kolkhorst	West
Gutierrez	Menéndez	Zaffirini

Patrick, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 19, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate