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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives takes great pride in joining the American Heart Association, Texas Affiliate, in recognizing February 2003 as American Heart Month; and

WHEREAS, One of the nation's leading causes of death,
cardiovascular disease claims more than 55,000 lives in Texas every
year, accounting for almost 40 percent of the state's total deaths;
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WHEREAS, The men and women of the American Heart Association are committed to combating this epidemic, and through a proactive approach to detecting the disease as well as the provision of various public information projects, they are positively impacting the lives of countless Texans; and

WHEREAS, Some 250,000 Texas high school students will receive training in performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation this year, and many lives will be saved because of the placement of automated external defibrillators in state buildings and the provision of emergency medical pre-arrival instructions; and

WHEREAS, The American Heart Association is working toward reducing the toll of heart disease and stroke on our citizens, and this vital endeavor is most deserving of our support; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
Legislature hereby recognize February 2003 as American Heart Month
and commend all those associated with the American Heart

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- 1 Association for their dedicated efforts in addressing this serious
- 2 health problem; and, be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for the American Heart Association, Texas Affiliate, as an
- 5 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 139 was adopted by the House on February 5, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House