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R E S O L U T I O N

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

4           WHEREAS, One of the nation's leading causes of death,  
5 cardiovascular disease claims more than 55,000 lives in Texas every  
6 year, accounting for almost 40 percent of the state's total deaths;  
7 and

8           WHEREAS, The men and women of the American Heart Association  
9 are committed to combating this epidemic, and through a proactive  
10 approach to detecting the disease as well as the provision of  
11 various public information projects, they are positively impacting  
12 the lives of countless Texans; and

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

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

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

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.