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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, May 4-10, 2003, is National Correctional Officers
2 and Employees Week, and this occasion provides an opportunity to
3 recognize the tremendous courage and dedication to duty required of
4 the Texas correctional officers who protect the public from our
5 state's criminal population; and

6 WHEREAS, Texas correctional officers and employees, who
7 consistently uphold rigorous standards of professionalism while
8 performing their dangerous but crucial work, are essential to
9 maintaining the vital operations of the Texas Department of
10 Criminal Justice, which manages one of the nation's largest prison
11 systems and currently houses more than 150,000 offenders; and

12 WHEREAS, Representing Texas correctional officers, the
13 American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, is
14 dedicated to working with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice
15 to enhance safety for the valorous men and women who work long hours
16 under extremely difficult and stressful conditions to keep the
17 state's most violent offenders behind bars and its citizens out of
18 harm's way; and

19 WHEREAS, Texas correctional officers and employees perform
20 their jobs with admirable surety and skill, and they are deserving
21 of the highest respect and gratitude of their fellow Texans; now,
22 therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
24 Legislature hereby recognize Texas correctional officers during

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1 National Correctional Officers and Employees Week and pay tribute
2 to these exemplary public employees for their contributions to the
3 Lone Star State.