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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Texas is blessed with an abundant supply of  
2 freshwater from both surface and underground sources, including  
3 rivers, streams, aquifers, wells, and springs, and as the  
4 population of the Lone Star State continues to grow, so too do the  
5 demands placed on this vital natural resource; and

6           WHEREAS, To highlight this issue at the national level, the  
7 American Water Works Association has for many years sponsored, in  
8 partnership with more than a dozen educational, professional, and  
9 nonprofit groups, an annual Drinking Water Week campaign; this year  
10 this event will be observed May 4-10, 2003, and the State of Texas  
11 is proud to join with communities and states across the country, as  
12 well as with federal agencies, in recognizing the need for  
13 continued vigilance in the protection of public water supplies; and

14           WHEREAS, All aspects of our quality of life are directly  
15 related to the availability of clean and plentiful water; potable  
16 water is essential to the survival of all living creatures, and it  
17 is in the best interests of all Texas businesses, whether related to  
18 tourism, sports, commerce, or industry, to lead the way in finding  
19 new ways to conserve and safeguard this truly precious commodity;  
20 and

21           WHEREAS, The continued prosperity and viability of the State  
22 of Texas will be determined by the decisions we make today, as well  
23 as in the future, regarding water rights, water treatment, and  
24 water quality issues, and both public officials and private

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1 citizens have a duty to preserve this important natural resource  
2 for the generations to come; now, therefore, be it

3       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
4 Legislature hereby recognize May 4-10, 2003, as Texas Drinking  
5 Water Week and encourage all Texans to protect and conserve our  
6 state's invaluable and irreplaceable water resources.