

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 322

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators for its advocacy on behalf of citizens' rights to high-quality health care, including prescription medications; and

WHEREAS, Research currently underway promises the availability of new medicines that can treat a host of illnesses and conditions, including asthma, stroke, and different forms of cancer; in addition, research to improve medicines used to treat children is in progress; and

WHEREAS, The National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators has a special commitment to advocating on behalf of Hispanic Americans, who have a high incidence of diabetes, strokes, and heart attacks, as well as limited access to high-quality health care; the caucus supports efforts to improve the range of medicines and medical treatments available to these patients; and

WHEREAS, The caucus also recognizes and supports the central role of a patient's health care provider in the selection of medicines and other medical treatment options; through its actions, the caucus reflects genuine dedication to the health care needs faced by many residents of the state and nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend the National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators for its valuable leadership in the field of health care; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this notable organization as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 10, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate