## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Citizens from across Texas are gathering at the
- 2 State Capitol on February 8, 2005, to celebrate this year's Senior
- 3 Day, themed "Seniors--The Heart of Texas"; and
- WHEREAS, Today, there are approximately three million
- 5 residents of the Lone Star State who are 60 years of age or older,
- 6 and it is projected that, in 15 years, that number will have
- 7 increased to more than five million; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Reflecting the state's cultural, spiritual, and
- 9 ethnic diversity, these valued citizens have long devoted their
- 10 lives to making the Lone Star State a better place in which to live,
- 11 work, and raise families, making immeasurable contributions in such
- 12 important areas as education, industry, agriculture, space
- 13 exploration, information technology, literature, music, the fine
- 14 arts, and sports; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Countless elderly Texans relish their role as
- 16 grandparents, role models, and mentors, imparting their unique
- 17 wisdom and instilling many of the same values and principles in
- 18 younger generations that they learned from their parents and
- 19 grandparents; and
- WHEREAS, Senior Texans have witnessed firsthand some of the
- 21 most significant moments of the 20th century; not only did they
- 22 weather the strenuous economic conditions of the Great Depression,
- 23 but during World War II, many members of the greatest generation
- 24 willingly laid down their lives to protect the ideals on which this

- 1 country was founded; whether they were soldiers on the front lines
- 2 or women working in factories back home, their sacrifices have
- 3 enabled democracy to flourish here and abroad; and
- WHEREAS, Throughout our history, Texas has reaped the
- 5 benefits of the experience, vision, and leadership of our senior
- 6 citizens, and it is most fitting to honor them for their innumerable
- 7 contributions; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 9 Legislature hereby recognize February 8, 2005, as Senior Day at the
- 10 State Capitol and encourage all citizens to join in paying tribute
- 11 to these remarkable Texans.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 201 was adopted by the House on February 8, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House