

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular diseases are the leading cause of
2 death amongst Texans since 1940; and

3 WHEREAS, Every hour over six Texans die from cardiovascular
4 disease; and

5 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death
6 for Texas women since 2001; and

7 WHEREAS, Cardiac death in women age 35 to 44 has increased
8 more than 20 percent in the last decade; and

9 WHEREAS, Of all female cardiovascular deaths, 12 percent will
10 occur in women under the age of 65; and

11 WHEREAS, Sixty-three percent of women who die suddenly of
12 coronary heart disease have no previous symptoms of this disease;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, The total average hospital charges for
15 cardiovascular disease amongst women is \$813,134,383; and

16 WHEREAS, The American Heart Association has launched a
17 campaign designated to raise women's awareness of the magnitude of
18 cardiovascular disease as "Go Red for Women"; and

19 WHEREAS, February is designated as American Heart Month; now,
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
22 Legislature hereby declare the month of February Texas Women's
23 Heart Month in the State of Texas.

Thompson

H.R. No. 418

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 418 was adopted by the House on
February 17, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House