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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 6 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% in the last decade; and

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

11 WHEREAS, 63% of women who die suddenly of coronary heart
12 disease have no previous symptoms of this disease; and

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

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

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

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