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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, March 6-12, 2005, is Black Church Week of Prayer for  
2 the Healing of AIDS, and this notable endeavor, which is sponsored  
3 by the Black Church Outreach Project (BCOP) of the Austin/Travis  
4 County Health and Human Services Department, helps promote HIV/AIDS  
5 education and awareness; and

6           WHEREAS, The largest AIDS awareness program targeting the  
7 African American community, Black Church Week of Prayer for the  
8 Healing of AIDS reaches an estimated 2.5 million church members  
9 nationwide, enabling BCOP to better achieve its goals of informing,  
10 educating, and empowering the community with respect to HIV/AIDS  
11 health issues; and

12           WHEREAS, Highlighting this weeklong effort to raise  
13 awareness in Austin is a citywide observance taking place on the  
14 evening of March 10, 2005, at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church;  
15 and

16           WHEREAS, This important initiative draws on the vital support  
17 of a number of community partners and collaborators, including  
18 Healthy Connections Mobile Health Van, AIDS Services of Austin,  
19 Interfaith Care Alliance, LifeWorks, The Wright House Wellness  
20 Center, and many additional agencies and organizations; and

21           WHEREAS, Citizens rely on the critical contributions made by  
22 these and other health services providers, and the Black Church  
23 Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS continues to have a positive  
24 impact on the lives of many Texans; now, therefore, be it

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1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
2   Legislature hereby recognize March 6-12, 2005, as Black Church Week  
3   of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS and commend the many individuals  
4   who have contributed to this significant event.