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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to
2 recognize the Abstinence Council of Texas; and

3 WHEREAS, Founded by abstinence leaders from around the state,
4 the Abstinence Council of Texas was created to provide a unified
5 source of information and networking opportunities for those
6 interested in abstinence education; and

7 WHEREAS, The goal of this organization is to reduce
8 nonmarital pregnancies, adolescent participation in high-risk
9 behaviors, and the incidence of sexually transmitted diseases; and

10 WHEREAS, The State of Texas requires that any course material
11 related to human sexuality direct adolescents to abstinence as the
12 most effective means of preventing unwanted pregnancy and sexually
13 transmitted diseases; and

14 WHEREAS, According to the National Center for Health
15 Statistics and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,
16 abstinence education has been a leading factor in the decline in
17 teen sexual activity and teen pregnancies over the last decade;
18 now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
20 Legislature hereby recognize April 27, 2005, as Abstinence
21 Awareness Day and welcome the members of the Abstinence Council of
22 Texas to the Capitol for this occasion; and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for the
2 council as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
3 Representatives.