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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Like adults, children and adolescents can have 2 mental health disorders that prevent them from leading happy, 3 active lives, and the need for comprehensive, coordinated mental health services places a critical responsibility 4 communities; and 5 6 WHEREAS, Studies show that one in five children in the United States will need mental health care services during his or her 7 lifetime and that among adolescents the rate of clinical depression 8 9 may be as high as one in eight; in Texas alone, it has been estimated that more than 100,000 young people who are in need of mental health 10 11 assistance have not yet received proper attention or treatment; and 12 WHEREAS, It is appropriate that a day be set apart to focus on 13 our children's mental health and well-being and to help raise 14 awareness of the mental health issues facing young Texans; and WHEREAS, To that end, the Children's Partnership, which is a 15 16 broad-based coalition representing families, organizations, state and federal agencies, and mental health care 17 providers in Central Texas, has joined with other area groups and 18 individuals in the Child and Youth Mental Health Planning 19 Partnership to sponsor an event designed to help raise awareness of 20 21 the mental health needs of children, youth, and families in our communities; now, therefore, be it 22 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

Legislature hereby recognize May 4, 2005, as Children's Mental

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- 1 Health Summit Day in Central Texas, encourage all area residents to
- 2 learn more about the importance of protecting and nurturing the
- 3 mental health of our young people, and urge all caregivers of
- 4 children with mental health issues to seek early and appropriate
- 5 treatment.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1406 was adopted by the House on May 4, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House