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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, American Stroke Month, sponsored by the American
2 Stroke Association, is a nationwide effort to increase public
3 awareness of the warning signs, symptoms, and risk factors
4 associated with strokes; and

5 WHEREAS, Strokes are the third leading cause of death in the
6 United States, affecting approximately 700,000 Americans each
7 year; this debilitating condition is a leading cause of serious
8 long-term disability, and has impacted the lives of 4.7 million
9 stroke survivors in the United States alone; and

10 WHEREAS, A division of the American Heart Association, the
11 American Stroke Association is encouraging all Americans to take
12 the initiative to educate themselves about the symptoms of an
13 impending stroke; these signs include: sudden numbness or weakness
14 of the face, arm, or leg, especially on one side of the body,
15 impaired vision, speech, and motor skills, sudden confusion, and
16 severe headache; and

17 WHEREAS, New and effective treatments have been developed to
18 treat and minimize the severity of strokes, but the key to proper
19 treatment is early detection; and

20 WHEREAS, It is fitting that Texans join with citizens
21 throughout the country to express their support for educating the
22 public about strokes and advocating additional research to further
23 advance treatment possibilities; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby recognize May 2005 as American Stroke Month and
2 commend all those who are working to educate the public about this
3 life-threatening condition.