

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 205

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to honor the members of Texas Immunization Partners who have come to the State Capitol today to bring attention to the need for better vaccination programs in our state and for public awareness of the important role vaccines play in the health of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, For a decade, the State of Texas has had some of the lowest immunization rates in the nation, and the state currently ranks 41st in the country in its vaccine coverage for children younger than three years of age; and

WHEREAS, Texas Immunization Partners is a network of organizations and physicians and other individuals working together to ensure the good health and well-being of our youngest Texans by educating the public about debilitating and deadly diseases and the vaccines that prevent them; and

WHEREAS, Vaccinations protect infants, children and teens; thus vaccine delivery in Texas must meet the needs of large urban areas and sparsely populated rural areas, and the public must be educated about their availability and benefits; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend members of Texas Immunization Partners for their efforts to ensure that our children are adequately protected with the appropriate vaccines and recognize February 23, 2005, as a special day to honor their outstanding work; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this organization as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 23, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate