SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 586

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Medical Center of Lewisville and to express appreciation to its volunteer staff for their many contributions to the health and well-being of the people of Lewisville; and WHEREAS, April 17 through April 23, 2005, is National

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WHEREAS, Founded in 1976, the Medical Center of Lewisville
has grown to be a large hospital with an admission rate of over
9,000 and surgeries numbering more than 7,000 in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Also in 2004, the hospital had over 33,000 emergency room visits and over 22,000 outpatient visits; the quality of care required by these numbers is attended to by a dedicated staff of over 850 health-care professionals; and

WHEREAS, Assisting this staff is a corps of outstanding volunteers who gave over 23,000 hours of their time to the medical center last year; some of these dedicated people donate up to 16 hours a week, and several have been with the hospital volunteer program for over 20 years; these volunteers include professional people, university students planning a medical career, retirees, and homemakers; an additional 40 high school students assisted in the 2004 summer program, performing the same duties as the adult volunteers; and

WHEREAS, The volunteers staff the information desks, deliver flowers, mail, and newspapers, and offer invaluable support in the Intensive Care Unit, the Emergency Room, and in Women's and Children's Services: and

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WHEREAS, A special dinner is planned for April 14, 2005, to
recognize the volunteers and to salute them for the exceptional
services they provide the Medical Center of Lewisville; the theme
of this year's dinner is "Volunteers Take Time to Care"; now,
therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend the outstanding volunteers of the Medical Center of Lewisville for their tireless efforts to help others and their many contributions to the Lewisville community; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Nelson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 11, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate