SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 652

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the achievements of the School of Public Health at the University of North Texas Health Science Center; and

WHEREAS, The University of North Texas Health Science Center submitted its proposal to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for a third school within the center in 1998; that same year, the university received accreditation from the Council of Education for Public Health for the Master of Public Health Program; and

WHEREAS, In 1999, the 76th Legislature of the State of Texas funded and granted approval to establish the first school of public health to serve the North Texas area; and

WHEREAS, The University of North Texas Health Science Center's Master of Public Health Program quickly became successful and, soon after it was established, it was commended by the community for the high-quality education it provides; by the year 2000, the Master of Public Health Program was rated 19th in the nation by U.S. News and World Report; in the year 2001, the Doctor of Public Health Program was established at the university; and

WHEREAS, Student enrollment in the Doctor and Master of Public Health Programs have exceeded all expectations and the University of North Texas Health Science Center deserves credit for the excellent programs designed to meet the growing need for public health education in the Fort Worth/Dallas Metroplex; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend the University of North Texas Health Science Center and its School of Public Health and express appreciation to the university's board of regents, professors, and administrators for their valuable contributions to the people of Texas and higher education; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the university and its School of Public Health as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Nelson

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 20, 2005.

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate