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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, which is
2 taking place on February 7, 2007, is an annual event intended to
3 raise public consciousness about this potentially deadly disease;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Now in its seventh year, National Black HIV/AIDS
6 Awareness Day encourages African Americans to become better
7 educated about the issue, to undergo testing so that they know their
8 status, to seek medical treatment when necessary, and to get
9 involved in their community's efforts to combat HIV/AIDS; and

10 WHEREAS, This campaign is part of a much-needed effort to
11 slow the spread of the disease among the nation's black population;
12 almost one-half of the people in the United States who have been
13 diagnosed with HIV/AIDS are African American, and the disease ranks
14 as the leading cause of death among black women between the ages of
15 25 and 34; and

16 WHEREAS, Recognizing the urgency of the situation, leaders
17 across the country are advocating decisive action to meet this
18 health crisis, and National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day is an
19 important part of that effort; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
21 Legislature hereby recognize February 7, 2007, as National Black
22 HIV/AIDS Awareness Day and encourage all Texans to join the fight
23 against this devastating disease.