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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Professional social workers assist individuals, 2 groups, and communities to restore or enhance their capacity for 3 social functioning; and

WHEREAS, Highly trained and experienced, these esteemed individuals have earned social work degrees at the bachelor's, master's, or doctoral levels, completed a minimum number of hours in a supervised field, and received licensing through the Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners; and

9 WHEREAS, Social workers are instrumental in helping people 10 overcome some of life's most difficult challenges, including 11 poverty, discrimination, abuse, addiction, physical illness, 12 divorce, loss, unemployment, educational problems, disability, and 13 mental illness; in addition, they help prevent crises and counsel 14 individuals, families, and communities to cope more effectively 15 with the stresses of everyday life; and

16 WHEREAS, Professional social workers are found in every facet 17 of community life--schools, hospitals, mental health clinics, 18 senior centers, prisons, corporations, public and private 19 agencies, private practice, and the military--and their efforts 20 make a positive difference in the lives of countless people; now, 21 therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas Legislature hereby recognize March 27, 2007, as Social Work Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to those professional

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