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S.C.R. No. 56

1                               CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The Texas Retired Teachers Association represents  
3 the interests of retired public school personnel and has now  
4 reached its highest ever membership total of more than 62,000 for  
5 the 2006–2007 year; and

6           WHEREAS, The association is celebrating its 54th annual  
7 convention this week in Austin, and over 1,000 delegates and guests  
8 are participating in this year's event; and

9           WHEREAS, The Texas Retired Teachers Association is  
10 recognized as a service and action organization, and its members  
11 are valuable contributors to their local communities and to the  
12 state; and

13           WHEREAS, Since 1990, the association's volunteers have given  
14 over one billion volunteer service hours to community programs,  
15 schools, churches, nursing homes, libraries, and various  
16 worthwhile causes; and

17           WHEREAS, Members have initiated a health and wellness program  
18 called Walks-A-Million to help contain health care costs by keeping  
19 themselves healthy and by setting an example for others;  
20 association members walked 12.2 billion steps in 2006; and

21           WHEREAS, The association members have initiated a program  
22 known as the Children's Book Project, and since 1998, they have  
23 given more than 300,000 books to underprivileged children in Texas;  
24 and

1           WHEREAS, Public education retirees continue to be involved  
2 and active citizens who are truly making a difference in the social,  
3 economic, and political life of our state; now, therefore, be it

4           RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas  
5 hereby declare April 17, 2007, Texas Retired Educators Day--A  
6 Celebration of Giving and Health; and, be it further

7           RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor  
8 of this occasion.