SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 193

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join citizens across the state in recognizing February 13, 2007, as Kidney Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Texas Renal Coalition, Kidney Day at the State Capitol brings public attention to the problems of kidney patients and informs the Texas Legislature about the public policy concerns and needs of kidney patients; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Renal Coalition leads in the advancement of education, prevention, and advocacy for those who have or are at risk of chronic kidney disease and acts as a clearinghouse for information related to legislative issues; and

WHEREAS, The coalition helps monitor health policies for dialysis and transplant patients and offers educational programs to improve public awareness about kidney disease; the organization has initiated a program called "Decrease the Increase" to raise awareness of kidney diseases; and

WHEREAS, Kidney organizations, dedicated volunteers, and health care professionals across the state work together to ensure the best care for kidney patients, and they are truly deserving of recognition for their commitment and dedication; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby proclaim February 13, 2007, Kidney Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the kidney patients and the kidney health care advocates visiting Austin today; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Texas Renal Coalition as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 13, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate