

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 569

**WHEREAS**, Professional social workers assist individuals, groups, and communities to restore or enhance their capacity for 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

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

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

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby recognize March 27, 2007, as Social Work Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to those professional social workers and social work students who are visiting the Capitol today.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 27, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate