

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 626

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize April 17, 2007, as Volunteer Day in Texas and to honor the many volunteers who through goodwill and good works make a significant difference in the lives of their fellow citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, One of the most defining characteristics of Americans is our sense of duty to one another and the institution of volunteerism; during times of war and natural disasters, our citizens are ready to provide relief to those in need; and

**WHEREAS**, Every day, there are instances of human need to which our country's quiet heroes respond with strength and vigor; these citizens provide their time, talent, and resources to help others; they give food to soup kitchens, clothes to shelters, love to endangered children, and counsel to those who have been abused; and

**WHEREAS**, For 25 years, the Volunteer Center of North Texas has celebrated the efforts of the community's finest volunteers by hosting the Hearts of Hope Awards in Dallas County and the Volunteer of the Year Awards in Collin County; and

**WHEREAS**, The Volunteer Center will honor the North Texas community's outstanding volunteers and unsung heroes at an awards ceremony that will take place in the Plano Centre on April 17, 2007; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend volunteers in the North Texas area for their many contributions to the citizens of Collin and Dallas Counties and citizens across the state for their leadership and service and recognize April 17, 2007, as Volunteer Day in Texas; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 2, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate