

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 816

**WHEREAS**, Poor vehicle maintenance has contributed to more than 2,600 deaths, nearly 100,000 disabling injuries, and over \$2 billion in lost wages, medical expenses, and property damage; and

**WHEREAS**, Thirty percent of automobiles and trucks on the road today are responsible for the majority of motor vehicle pollution and over 70 percent are in need of some type of preventive care; a lack of attention to this vital issue can lead to increased traffic congestion caused by disabled vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, Properly maintained safety systems, such as brakes, air bags, and lights, would safeguard the welfare of Texans and their property while reducing fuel consumption and the emission of greenhouse gases; and

**WHEREAS**, An increased awareness of the significant benefits that may be gained from appropriate preventive care can also save the state and its citizens money by enabling Texas drivers to avoid the expense and inconvenience of unexpected costly repairs; to that end, Texans should inspect their vehicles and perform all maintenance necessary to ensure that they operate in a safe, efficient, and clean manner; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby recognize April 2007 as Car Care Month in Texas and encourage all motorists to "Be Car Care Aware."

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate