## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1154

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the Lubbock Colon Cancer Prevention Task Force in its commitment to work for the well-being of all citizens in Texas Senate District 28 and to fight against colon cancer, with the goal of eliminating it as a cause of illness and death in this region of West Texas; and

WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society is a vital organization for the prevention and treatment of cancer, and the Lubbock Colon Cancer Prevention Task Force supports its efforts on a local level and has been partnering with city and county governments to campaign about cancer control issues; and

WHEREAS, In Texas, over the next 10 years, an estimated 100,000 men and women will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer, and 40,000 will die if something is not done; in the United States, over the next 10 years, an estimated 1.5 million men and women will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer; and

WHEREAS, Most colon cancers can be prevented, and many deaths can be avoided if the best available technology is used consistently throughout our communities; and

WHEREAS, In its early stage, colon cancer is curable but usually produces no symptoms; therefore, the American Cancer Society recommends that all men and women of normal health should start preventative screening for colon cancer at the age of fifty, or sooner for those with a family history of colon polyps or cancer; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing the importance of preventing and eliminating colon cancer, the Lubbock Colon Cancer Prevention Task Force encourages all citizens in Texas Senate District 28 to take the initiative and discuss with their health care provider the necessary screening for colon cancer, with the hope that all can enjoy full and healthy lives; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,
80th Legislature, hereby join the Lubbock Colon Cancer Prevention
Task Force in its fight against colon cancer by proclaiming 2007
Colon Cancer Prevention and Awareness Year; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Lubbock Colon Cancer Prevention Task Force.

Duncan

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 25, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate