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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Senior Day is taking place on February 10, 2009, at 2 the State Capitol, and this occasion offers a welcome opportunity 3 to pay tribute to the many contributions made by the senior citizens 4 of the Lone Star State; and

5 WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Texas Senior Advocacy Coalition, 6 this year's event is focused on the theme "Seniors--the Heart of 7 Texas"; that sentiment is indeed a fitting tribute to the 8 significant role these individuals play in communities across our 9 state; and

10 WHEREAS, Through the decades, they have helped Texas to 11 achieve greatness in a broad range of fields, including industry, 12 the arts, agriculture, education, information technology, space 13 exploration, and more; and

14 WHEREAS, Witnesses to monumental events during their 15 lifetimes, many residents age 60 and older have served their nation 16 in times of war, and they have also helped maintain the peace in 17 postings around the globe; and

WHEREAS, The experience and wisdom gained by senior Texans make them revered mentors and role models to younger generations; among the lessons they teach is the value of leading an active and healthy life well into the golden years, and their ongoing achievements are not only inspiring but also represent valuable contributions that greatly benefit their fellow citizens; and WHEREAS, Today, Texas has approximately three million

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1 residents over age 60, and that number is expected to grow to more 2 than five million by the year 2020; strong in numbers and 3 distinguished by their great endeavors, past and present, the 4 seniors of the Lone Star State are a valuable resource for all 5 Texans, and they are indeed deserving of respect and admiration; 6 now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
Legislature hereby recognize February 10, 2009, as Senior Day at
the State Capitol and extend to all participants best wishes for an
enjoyable and rewarding visit to Austin.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 264 was adopted by the House on February 10, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House