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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In an effort to raise awareness about the lack of
2 access to health care for the uninsured, the City of DeSoto and
3 Parkland Health & Hospital System are sponsoring the 2009 Cover the
4 Uninsured Health Expo on March 23, to coincide with Cover the
5 Uninsured Week from March 22 to 28, 2009; and

6 WHEREAS, Primary health care is essential to the well-being
7 of every man, woman, and child, yet an estimated 26.3 percent of
8 Texans under the age of 65 are lacking health coverage; and

9 WHEREAS, Cover the Uninsured Week, a project of the Robert
10 Wood Johnson Foundation, brings together employers, workers,
11 educators, students, patients, hospital staff, physicians, nurses,
12 faith leaders and their congregants, and many others to speak out on
13 behalf of the uninsured; and

14 WHEREAS, The DeSoto expo is featuring free health screenings,
15 as well as information on early detection and prevention; and

16 WHEREAS, Far too many Texans are living without health
17 insurance, the consequences of which are poorer health and
18 premature death, and it is vital that citizens and public officials
19 collaborate to address this critical issue; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
21 Legislature hereby commemorate the 2009 Cover the Uninsured Health
22 Expo in DeSoto and recognize March 22-28, 2009, as Cover the
23 Uninsured Week.