

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In honor of the 10th annual National Women's Health
2 Week, which is being celebrated from May 10 through May 16, 2009,
3 *Health Wise* is promoting the importance of living a healthy
4 lifestyle for the residents of Dallas; and

5 WHEREAS, *Health Wise*, a publication produced by Earnestine
6 Cole, is kicking off the occasion a week early on May 3 with "LOVE
7 TEA 9: Women & Cancer Prevention," an educational event featuring a
8 female oncologist as the keynote speaker; attendees will have the
9 opportunity to participate in health screenings, exercise and
10 cooking demonstrations, a candle lighting ceremony in memory of
11 women who have lost their lives to cancer, and a balloon release in
12 tribute to female cancer survivors; and

13 WHEREAS, The following week, on May 12, "*Health Wise: A Taste*
14 of Life" will be presented in collaboration with the Irma Rangel
15 Young Women's Leadership School in South Dallas; this outreach
16 effort, which is focused on obesity prevention, will target nearly
17 200 high school girls during their physical education and health
18 classes; and

19 WHEREAS, The LOVE TEA 9 Planning Committee includes Sharon
20 Cox, clinical dietician at Parkland Hospital; Veronica Cole, Ph.D.
21 candidate in urban and public administration at The University of
22 Texas at Arlington; Kimberly Johnson, D.O., Internal Medicine at
23 Methodist Hospital Affiliate; DeVonne Foutz, Texas Silver-Haired
24 Legislator for Dallas County; Barbara Ladson, American Airlines;

1 and Eva Crumby, Insurance One; and

2 WHEREAS, The LOVE TEA 9 is further supported by the following
3 honorary chairs: Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson of District
4 30, a breast cancer survivor; Texas State Senator Jane Nelson of
5 District 12, who serves as chair of the Senate Committee on Health
6 and Human Services; and State Representative Barbara Mallory
7 Caraway of District 110, as well as the following honorary
8 co-chairs, all of whom are breast cancer survivors from Dallas:
9 Adelfa Callejo, attorney; the Reverend Dr. Janet Bell Odom, senior
10 pastor of Camp Wisdom United Methodist Church; Patricia Richardson,
11 First Lady of Zion Chapel Primitive Baptist Church; Nancy Smith,
12 educator and Komen 3-Day Walk Ambassador; and Hattie Simmons,
13 educator; and

14 WHEREAS, National Women's Health Week, which is coordinated
15 at the federal level by the U.S. Department of Health and Human
16 Services Office on Women's Health, brings communities, businesses,
17 government, health organizations, and other groups together to
18 empower women to make health their top priority; the initiative
19 includes National Women's Checkup Day on May 11 and marks the
20 beginning of an eight-week online physical activity program known
21 as Woman Challenge; and

22 WHEREAS, Women and girls throughout Dallas and North Texas
23 are invited to begin their journey toward improved health during
24 National Women's Health Week and to embrace the potential of a
25 higher quality of life; now, therefore, be it

26 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
27 Legislature hereby recognize May 10 through 16, 2009, as National

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1 Women's Health Week in Dallas and encourage all area women to take
2 the simple but important steps that will allow them to lead longer,
3 healthier, and happier lives.

Mallory Caraway

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1872 was adopted by the House on May 14, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House