By: Duncan S.C.R. No. 19

## 1 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas is pleased to
- 3 join the Texas Renal Coalition in recognizing February 17, 2009, as
- 4 Kidney Day at the State Capitol; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The Texas Renal Coalition is a leader in the
- 6 prevention and mitigation of the risks, effects, and burdens of
- 7 chronic kidney diseases; the coalition forms partnerships with
- 8 state agencies and volunteer groups to support victims and to
- 9 educate the public about the disease; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The coalition monitors health policies for dialysis
- 11 and transplant patients, offers educational programs to improve
- 12 public awareness about the disease, and acts as a clearinghouse for
- 13 information related to legislative issues; and
- WHEREAS, The coalition is a participant on the Chronic Kidney
- 15 Disease Task Force and works with the Texas Department of State
- 16 Health Services and other organizations to educate health care
- 17 professionals about the advantages of early screening, diagnosis,
- 18 and treatment of chronic kidney disease and end stage renal
- 19 disease; and
- WHEREAS, Across the state, members of the Texas Renal
- 21 Coalition, volunteers, physicians, trained health care providers,
- 22 organizational partners, patients, and family members are doing an
- 23 outstanding job in their efforts to provide the best care for kidney
- 24 patients and those at risk for kidney disease, and they all deserve

S.C.R. No. 19

- 1 recognition for their dedication and valuable services; now,
- 2 therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas
- 4 hereby proclaim February 17, 2009, as Kidney Day at the State
- 5 Capitol and extend a warm welcome to kidney patients and kidney
- 6 health care providers and advocates who are visiting Austin today;
- 7 and, be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for the
- 9 Texas Renal Coalition to commemorate Kidney Day at the State
- 10 Capitol.