SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 995

WHEREAS, The efficiency and integrity of the nation's 9-1-1 emergency response systems are dependent on widespread public awareness of proper emergency reporting procedures; and

WHEREAS, Of the hundreds of thousands of calls received by 9-1-1 centers across the country yearly, many are from young children who are either unable to convey necessary information to operators or who fail to understand the serious consequences of an unwarranted emergency call, and it was with the goal of educating children in these important issues that the 9-1-1 for Kids program was first inaugurated in 1994; and

WHEREAS, By bringing accessible and understandable information about emergency services to young children, 9-1-1 for Kids ensures that participants in the project will know both how to report an emergency and when making such a call is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, In presenting this essential knowledge to children, 9-1-1 for Kids is helping to enhance the safety and security of all Texans, and 9-1-1 for Kids Education Week will further help to advance this worthwhile goal; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby recognize June 7-13, 2009, as 9-1-1 for Kids Education Week and commend all those associated with this important program.

Davis

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 23, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate