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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, In April of each year, National Crime Victims'
- 2 Rights Week is sponsored by criminal justice and victim service
- 3 practitioners as an occasion to publicize and affirm the rights of
- 4 those who suffer as victims of violent crime; and
- 5 WHEREAS, During this week, many public education and
- 6 community awareness activities are sponsored to help the citizens
- 7 of Texas understand the experience of crime victims and to learn
- 8 about the many critical services available to those who fall prey to
- 9 criminal offenders; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Violent crime affects the lives of countless Texans
- 11 each year, and it is crucial that all citizens be fully aware of
- 12 their legal rights and the full range of services available to crime
- 13 victims, for only in this way can the criminal justice system secure
- 14 the rights of the innocent as well as the guilty; and
- 15 WHEREAS, It is entirely fitting that the Texas House of
- 16 Representatives lend its full support to this worthy observance and
- 17 make every effort to promote greater awareness of crime victims'
- 18 rights in every jurisdiction of this state; now, therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 20 Legislature hereby commend the many dedicated professionals and
- 21 volunteers who are working to secure rights and services for the
- 22 victims of crime and urge all Texans to observe the week of April
- 23 10-16, 2011, as National Crime Victims' Rights Week.