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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, On February 16, 2011, supporters are gathering at
the State Capitol to celebrate Susan G. Komen for the Cure Advocacy
Day; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1982 by Dallas resident Nancy G. Brinker, Komen for the Cure is the world's largest grassroots network fighting to end breast cancer; the association is sustained by more than 100,000 breast cancer survivors and activists in over 120 cities and communities; and

9 WHEREAS, In the United States, a woman receives a diagnosis 10 of breast cancer every three minutes; it was expected that, in 2010, 11 more than 200,000 new cases of invasive breast cancer would occur 12 among women and that nearly 40,000 women would succumb to the 13 disease; in addition, it was anticipated that almost 2,000 cases of 14 breast cancer would be diagnosed among men; and

15 WHEREAS, Without a cure, one in eight women in the United 16 States will continue to be diagnosed with breast cancer; moreover, 17 the next quarter-century will see an estimated 5 million American 18 women and 25 million women worldwide diagnosed with breast cancer, 19 and more than a million American women and some 10 million women 20 worldwide could die; and

21 WHEREAS, Susan G. Komen for the Cure has invested nearly \$2 22 billion to date into its goal of eradicating this devastating 23 disease; up to 75 percent of the net income of each Komen domestic 24 affiliate is dedicated to fighting breast cancer in the local

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1 community, with grants being awarded to provide breast health 2 education and breast cancer screening and treatment projects in the 3 area; the remaining net income, a minimum of 25 percent, supports 4 the Komen Award and Research Grant Programs, which fund 5 groundbreaking breast cancer research, meritorious awards, and 6 educational and scientific programs around the world; and

7 WHEREAS, Susan G. Komen for the Cure has played a critical 8 role in the struggle against breast cancer, contributing to such 9 achievements as an increased rate of early detection, more 10 research, and a greatly improved five-year survival rate; today, 11 2.5 million breast cancer survivors in the United States attest to 12 the power of social action and science to save lives; and

WHEREAS, Breast cancer touches the lives of thousands of individuals across the Lone Star State, and Susan G. Komen for the Cure is to be commended for the vision, passion, and tenacity it brings to its vital mission; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 18 Legislature hereby recognize February 16, 2011, as Susan G. Komen 19 for the Cure Advocacy Day in Texas and extend to all those 20 associated with the group sincere appreciation for their commitment 21 to such an important cause.

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