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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the United Way are gathering in Austin on  
2 February 15, 2011, to celebrate United Way Day at the State Capitol;  
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4 WHEREAS, Charitable giving and volunteering are noble  
5 pursuits that do much to enhance the quality of life in the Lone  
6 Star State, and organizations such as the United Way are essential  
7 to those efforts; and

8 WHEREAS, There are 88 local United Way organizations in  
9 Texas, spanning all corners of the state; these groups assist with  
10 the specific needs and goals of their respective communities in  
11 areas such as education, income, and health; and

12 WHEREAS, Among the specific initiatives advocated by the  
13 United Way are programs to promote early childhood education,  
14 immunizations, high school graduation, college readiness, family  
15 financial stability, and earned income tax credit awareness; in  
16 addition, local United Way groups place a high priority on  
17 supporting the 2-1-1 social services phone hotlines, which provide  
18 information and referrals to assist people in finding organizations  
19 that can help in times of need; and

20 WHEREAS, Collectively, United Way organizations mobilize  
21 thousands of volunteers each year and garner charitable  
22 contributions that reinvest hundreds of millions of dollars back  
23 into local communities; these groups carry out a range of  
24 beneficial endeavors that help make our state a better place to live

1 and work, and they are indeed deserving of our thanks and  
2 commendation; now, therefore, be it

3       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
4 Legislature hereby recognize February 15, 2011, as United Way Day  
5 at the State Capitol and extend to the organization's volunteers,  
6 donors, and staff sincere best wishes for continued success in  
7 their important work.