

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the San Antonio Chapter of the National
2 Alliance on Mental Illness are visiting the State Capitol on
3 February 17, 2011, and this occasion provides a fitting opportunity
4 to recognize this outstanding organization; and

5 WHEREAS, NAMI is the nation's largest grassroots
6 organization dedicated to improving the lives of individuals and
7 families affected by mental illness; through the dedicated efforts
8 of its volunteers, including members of local affiliates in more
9 than 1,100 communities, NAMI focuses on support, public education,
10 and advocacy; and

11 WHEREAS, Founded in 1984, NAMI San Antonio serves individuals
12 and their loved ones affected by severe and persistent mental
13 illnesses, including schizophrenia, schizo-affective disorder,
14 bipolar disorder, major depression, and
15 obsessive-compulsive/anxiety disorders; the organization promotes
16 the well-being, comfort, and happiness of the mentally ill and
17 strives to improve conditions generally for those with mental
18 illnesses; and

19 WHEREAS, NAMI San Antonio offers support groups for people
20 living with mental illness and classes for family, friends, and
21 caregivers; moreover, it fosters the development and enhancement of
22 services and promotes research into treatment options; members
23 endeavor to remove the stigma caused by inaccurate and hurtful
24 representations of mental illness, and the organization provides

1 the public with clear information about mental illnesses, mental
2 health care, diagnosis, treatment, and recovery; and

3 WHEREAS, Through their dedication and hard work, the members
4 of San Antonio NAMI have made a positive difference in the lives of
5 countless Texans, and they are most deserving of special
6 recognition; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the members of the San Antonio Chapter of the
8 National Alliance on Mental Illness be welcomed to the State
9 Capitol and be commended for their efforts to promote equitable
10 services and treatment for consumers and families living with
11 mental illness; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for NAMI San Antonio as an expression of high regard by the
14 Texas House of Representatives.

Menendez

H.R. No. 463

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 463 was adopted by the House on
February 17, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House