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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Physical Therapy Association
are visiting the State Capitol on February 22, 2011; and

3 WHEREAS, A chapter of the American Physical Therapy 4 Association, the Texas Physical Therapy Association was founded in 5 1930; today, it represents more than 4,000 physical therapists, 6 physical therapist assistants, and physical therapy students; the 7 organization is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of 8 Texans by advancing physical therapy practice; and

9 WHEREAS, Physical therapists use their extensive clinical 10 experience and knowledge to diagnose and treat people of all ages, 11 from newborns to elderly individuals, who suffer from conditions 12 that limit the body's ability to move and function in daily life; these highly skilled professionals provide care in a variety of 13 14 settings, including hospitals, private practices, outpatient clinics, home health agencies, schools, workplaces, nursing homes, 15 16 and sports and fitness facilities; and

WHEREAS, When movement is impaired, physical therapists can develop a plan of care using a variety of treatment techniques to reduce pain, restore function, and prevent disability; fitness and wellness programs can be tailored to the specific needs of an individual to preserve mobility, and a physical therapist may team with a physical therapist assistant, an educated and licensed clinician who works under his or her supervision; and

24 WHEREAS, Through their commitment to excellence in health

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1 care, the members of the Texas Physical Therapy Association make a 2 positive difference in the lives of their fellow Texans, and it is 3 indeed fitting to recognize their important contributions; now, 4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 6 Legislature hereby honor the members of the Texas Physical Therapy 7 Association and extend to them sincere best wishes for a memorable 8 visit to Austin; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 10 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the 11 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 539 was adopted by the House on March 3, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House