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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A traumatic brain injury occurs every 23 seconds in
the United States; and

3 WHEREAS, Traumatic brain injuries can have debilitating 4 effects on brain functionality, including thinking, reasoning, 5 memory, and communication; and

6 WHEREAS, Those who suffer traumatic brain injuries may face 7 years of rehabilitation, therapy, and recovery; and

8 WHEREAS, The families, friends, coworkers, and communities 9 of those who suffer traumatic brain injuries suffer alongside the 10 victims of the actual injuries; and

11 WHEREAS, Life may never be the same for an individual who has 12 suffered a traumatic brain injury; and

13 WHEREAS, A concussion is a type of brain injury that can 14 interrupt the regular function of the brain; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 3.8 million sports-related and recreation-related concussions occur in the United States each year; and

18 WHEREAS, Approximately 135,000 sports-related and 19 recreation-related traumatic brain injuries occur among children 20 ages 5 to 18 each year; and

21 WHEREAS, Increasing prevention and early diagnosis requires 22 raising awareness about the causes, symptoms, and effects of 23 traumatic brain injury; and

24 WHEREAS, The month of March has been designated as Brain

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1 Injury Awareness Month in order to further the Brain Injury 2 Association's ongoing commitment to advocacy and education 3 regarding concussions and other traumatic brain injuries; now, 4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 6 Legislature hereby recognize the month of March as Brain Injury 7 Awareness Month in an effort to raise awareness of traumatic brain 8 injury among all Texans, but particularly among those most at risk 9 for suffering this serious and potentially life-altering injury.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1091 was adopted by the House on March 30, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House