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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Juvenile Justice Association of Texas
2 are gathering in Austin on April 12, 2011, to mark Texas Juvenile
3 Probation Day at the State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, In partnership, the State of Texas and county
5 governments operate the Texas juvenile probation system, which
6 includes nearly 170 community-based probation departments serving
7 youth and families in every county across the state; and

8 WHEREAS, The Texas Juvenile Probation Commission works with
9 local juvenile boards and departments to support and enhance
10 juvenile probation services by providing funding, technical
11 assistance, and training; the TJPC establishes and enforces
12 standards, collects, analyzes, and disseminates information, and
13 facilitates communications between state and local entities;
14 moreover, it exercises oversight of county detention facilities;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, The backbone of the system, local juvenile probation
17 departments and courts provide services to all youth referred to
18 the system; the county departments handle most of the sanctions and
19 therapeutic interventions imposed by the courts; and

20 WHEREAS, The Juvenile Justice Association of Texas,
21 established in 1999, promotes advocacy for Texas children through
22 the provision of quality juvenile services; it represents dedicated
23 juvenile probation and detention officers and furthers their
24 professional development, training, and education; and

1 WHEREAS, Juvenile probation system professionals are deeply
2 committed to making a positive difference in the lives of the more
3 than 100,000 juveniles who are arrested in Texas or referred to the
4 juvenile probation system each year, and through their tireless
5 efforts, these public servants play a vital role in assuring the
6 security and safety of our communities; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
8 Legislature hereby recognize April 12, 2011, as Texas Juvenile
9 Probation Day at the State Capitol and commend the outstanding
10 professionals of our juvenile probation system for their important
11 contributions.