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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death
2 for young drivers, claiming the lives of nearly 6,000 American
3 teenagers annually, including some 500 in Texas; and

4 WHEREAS, For every teenager killed in a car crash, at least 50
5 more are seriously injured, making teen driver collisions one of
6 the most urgent public safety and health crises facing our state and
7 nation; and

8 WHEREAS, It is widely recognized by experts that no single
9 solution can effectively reverse this trend, so it is essential
10 that all persons and organizations dedicated to traffic safety work
11 together to provide education, outreach, and advocacy; and

12 WHEREAS, The Texas Teen Safe Driving Coalition is dedicated
13 to establishing a culture of teen safe driving to end crashes,
14 injuries, and deaths involving teens; the organization is sponsored
15 by the Allstate Foundation and National Safety Council, with
16 representatives from transportation and highway safety, driver
17 education, public health, law enforcement, business, and other
18 areas also participating; and

19 WHEREAS, The largest coalition of its kind in Texas, the
20 group will focus its education efforts on the five main driving
21 dangers: driving at night, passenger and other distractions,
22 experience on the road, risky behaviors including speeding, and
23 safety belt usage; and

24 WHEREAS, Dedicated to making a measurable difference in the

1 behavior of youth behind the wheel, the Texas Teen Safe Driving
2 Coalition is fulfilling a vital role, and it is indeed fitting to
3 recognize the group for its contributions to this important cause;
4 now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor the Texas Teen Safe Driving Coalition,
7 join in commemorating May as National Youth Traffic Safety Month,
8 and recognize May 16, 2011, as Texas Teen Safe Driving Day; and, be
9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for the Texas Teen Safe Driving Coalition as an expression
12 of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.