SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 219

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join Texans across the state in celebrating February 15, 2011, as United Way Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Charitable giving and volunteerism are an important part of our civil society, and the United Way plays a vital role in bringing people together in order to meet the needs of the most vulnerable among us; and

WHEREAS, With 88 local organizations distributed throughout Texas, the United Way works to help meet the needs and achieve the specific goals of each community, in addition to furthering the United Way's systemwide goals of improving education, income, and health and maintaining the 2-1-1 information and referral system; and

WHEREAS, United Way organizations mobilize thousands of volunteers each year, drawing on the innate compassion of Texans and strengthening the fiber of our communities; local affiliates collect hundreds of millions of dollars in charitable donations that are then reinvested in the local communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, It is truly fitting that the United Way be recognized for its many achievements in making Texas a better place in which to live, work, and raise a family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the staff, volunteers, and donors of United Way organizations across the state for their commitment to the people of Texas and extend to them best wishes for a memorable United Way Day at the State Capitol; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 15, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate