

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, April 3, 2013, is Parent Association for the
2 Retarded of Texas Day at the State Capitol, and the occasion
3 provides a fitting opportunity to honor the association for its
4 outstanding work; and

5 WHEREAS, The Parent Association for the Retarded of Texas is
6 an organization of volunteers who promote quality services and are
7 dedicated to preserving, improving, and expanding services for
8 persons with intellectual disabilities; and

9 WHEREAS, The members of the Parent Association for the
10 Retarded of Texas present the parents' viewpoint to the Department
11 of Aging and Disability Services, the state legislature, Congress,
12 and the general public; and

13 WHEREAS, This association is well known for the support it
14 offers to employees of state facilities and for its advocacy of new
15 programs to meet the unique needs of persons with intellectual
16 disabilities; and

17 WHEREAS, Members of the Parent Association for the Retarded
18 of Texas have been prominently involved in the development of
19 programs for persons with mental retardation since the 1950s, and
20 through the years they have fought vigorously for improved state
21 schools, state centers, special education, and community mental
22 health and mental retardation centers; and

23 WHEREAS, Today, the Parent Association for the Retarded of
24 Texas continues to protect people with intellectual disabilities

1 and tenaciously places responsibility on caregivers to maintain
2 standards for quality care; the organization addresses such issues
3 as fiscal accountability and special population needs; and

4 WHEREAS, The services provided by the Parent Association for
5 the Retarded of Texas have been vital to the welfare of countless
6 Texans, and members of the association are truly worthy of special
7 recognition for their exceptional efforts and outstanding
8 accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
10 Legislature hereby recognize April 3, 2013, as Parent Association
11 for the Retarded of Texas Day at the State Capitol and extend to the
12 members of the association best wishes for a meaningful and
13 memorable event.

King of Taylor

Straus	M. Gonzalez of El Paso	Oliveira
Allen	N. Gonzalez of El Paso	Orr
Alonzo	Gooden	Otto
Alvarado	Guerra	Paddie
Anchia	Guillen	Parker
Anderson	Gutierrez	Patrick
Ashby	Harless	Perez
Aycock	Harper-Brown	Perry
Bell	Hernandez Luna	Phillips
Bohac	Herrero	Pickett
Bonnen of Brazoria	Hilderbran	Pitts
Bonnen of Galveston	Howard	Price
Branch	Huberty	Raney
Burkett	Hughes	Ratliff
Burnam	Hunter	Raymond
Button	Isaac	Reynolds
Callegari	Johnson	Riddle
Canales	Kacal	Ritter
Capriglione	Keffer	Rodriguez of Bexar
Carter	King of Hemphill	Rodriguez of Travis
Clardy	King of Parker	Rose
Coleman	King of Taylor	Sanford
Collier	King of Zavala	Schaefer
Cook	Kleinschmidt	Sheets
Cortez	Klick	Sheffield of Bell
Craddick	Kolkhorst	Sheffield of Coryell
Creighton	Krause	Simmons
Crownover	Kuempel	Simpson
Dale	Larson	Smith
Darby	Laubenberg	Smithee
Davis of Dallas	Lavender	Springer
J. Davis of Harris	Leach	Stephenson
S. Davis of Harris	Lewis	Stickland
Deshotel	Longoria	Strama
Dukes	Lozano	Taylor
Dutton	Lucio III	Thompson of Brazoria
Eiland	Marquez	Thompson of Harris
Elkins	Martinez	Toth
Fallon	Martinez Fischer	Turner of Collin
Farias	McClendon	Turner of Harris
Farney	Menendez	Turner of Tarrant
Farrar	Miles	Villalba
Fletcher	Miller of Comal	Villarreal
Flynn	Miller of Fort Bend	Vo
Frank	Moody	Walle
Frullo	Morrison	White
Geren	Munoz, Jr.	Workman
Giddings	Murphy	Wu
Goldman	Naishtat	Zedler
Gonzales	Nevarez	Zerwas

H.R. No. 679

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 679 was adopted by the House on March 13, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House