

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 223

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the Houston chapter of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers as they celebrate February 17 through 23, 2013, as National Engineers Week; and

**WHEREAS**, Engineering has been called the "invisible" or "stealth" profession; almost everything around us that we use every day has been engineered in some way, yet we may not see the engineers behind the scenes or know much about engineering; and

**WHEREAS**, Engineers use their scientific and technical knowledge and skills in creative and innovative ways to fulfill society's needs; they face and solve major technological challenges of our time, from designing efficient building systems to rebuilding towns devastated by natural disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, National Engineering Week is celebrated throughout the country by a wide range of engineering, educational, and cultural organizations whose members are dedicated to ensuring a vigorous, diverse, and well-educated future workforce by increasing public understanding of engineering and technology careers and motivating young people to pursue such careers; and

**WHEREAS**, The celebration of National Engineers Week serves to raise awareness about the positive contributions that engineers make to everyday life and the importance and value of a technical education and a high level of literacy in science, technology and mathematics; and

**WHEREAS**, The engineering field has many specialties and is as varied as engineers themselves, whose work can include the design and construction of large buildings and roads or the fashioning of delicate medical instruments; our society will look more than ever to engineers and their knowledge and skills in order to meet the challenges of the future; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend the engineers of this state on their valuable contributions to society and proclaim February 17 through 23, 2013, as National Engineers Week in Texas; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special occasion.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 18, 2013.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate