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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For more than 35 years, nurse practitioners have
2 provided high-quality, cost-effective health care, devoting
3 themselves to the well-being and safety of their patients; and

4 WHEREAS, Nurse practitioners are registered nurses who have
5 completed master's or doctoral degrees and who are licensed to
6 deliver health care services independently and in collaboration
7 with a variety of other health care providers; they are experts in
8 disease prevention, and their responsibilities typically include
9 conducting physical exams, obtaining patient histories, ordering
10 and interpreting pertinent diagnostic tests, making diagnoses, and
11 ordering and prescribing medications and other therapies; and

12 WHEREAS, Across Texas, over 13,000 nurse practitioners
13 provide services in a wide variety of settings, among them
14 outpatient clinics, nurse practitioner-owned clinics, medical
15 offices, hospitals, intensive and emergency care units, extended
16 care centers, and school facilities; and

17 WHEREAS, The contributions of nurse practitioners are a vital
18 component of the Texas health care system, and it is indeed
19 appropriate to recognize the many ways in which these highly
20 skilled professionals promote the well-being of their fellow
21 citizens; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
23 Legislature hereby honor nurse practitioners across the Lone Star
24 State and commend them for their dedicated service.