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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Chapter of the National  
2 Emergency Number Association are gathering at the State Capitol on  
3 March 3, 2015, and this occasion provides a welcome opportunity to  
4 recognize the history and lifesaving legacy of the 9-1-1 emergency  
5 number system across the state and nation; and

6           WHEREAS, In 1967, the Federal Communications Commission and  
7 the U.S. Congress, in association with the American Telephone and  
8 Telegraph Company, established 9-1-1 as a universal, all-purpose  
9 emergency telephone number, and in February 1968, the first  
10 ceremonial 9-1-1 call was made in Haleyville, Alabama; and

11           WHEREAS, Public safety telecommunicators are the vital link  
12 between citizens calling for help and the agencies that assist  
13 them, and for nearly half a century, 9-1-1 has been the nationally  
14 recognized number to call for immediate help from the police, the  
15 fire department, or emergency medical services; and

16           WHEREAS, More than 500 public safety answering points daily  
17 serve the citizens of the Lone Star State by promptly responding to  
18 their emergency calls and by dispatching appropriate assistance as  
19 quickly as possible, and these dedicated telecommunicators,  
20 emergency directors, planning professionals, and industry service  
21 providers are ably represented by the Texas Chapter of the National  
22 Emergency Number Association; and

23           WHEREAS, When seconds count, Texans turn to 9-1-1, and the  
24 state chapter of NENA is dedicated to promoting and encouraging the

1 new and emerging technologies that are necessary to make 9-1-1 an  
2 even faster, more accurate, and more reliable system; now,  
3 therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby recognize March 3, 2015, as 9-1-1 Day at the  
6 State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation from the Texas  
7 Chapter of the National Emergency Number Association sincere best  
8 wishes for a meaningful and memorable visit to Austin.