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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Pharmacists from across the state are gathering in
2 Austin on April 8, 2015, in celebration of Texas Pharmacy Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, In Texas, the pharmacy profession has a long
5 history; the 16th-century explorer Alvar Nuñez Cabeza de Vaca
6 combined his knowledge of European medicine with information about
7 remedies learned from Native Americans, and as early as 1682,
8 Spanish missionaries in El Paso dispensed medicines; eventually,
9 some colonial doctors prepared medicines in large quantities and
10 displayed them on shelves in their homes or offices; and

11 WHEREAS, The first permanent organization of Texas
12 pharmacists, the Texas State Pharmaceutical Association, was
13 founded in Dallas in 1879; known today as the Texas Pharmacy
14 Association, the TPA continues to serve members practicing in all
15 areas of the profession; and

16 WHEREAS, Highly trained health care providers, pharmacists
17 serve as specialists in the management and effective use of
18 medications, and in recent years, they have played an increasingly
19 prominent role in counseling patients on the safe and effective use
20 of prescription medications; and

21 WHEREAS, The knowledge and experience of pharmacists is vital
22 to the well-being of their fellow Texans, and it is indeed fitting
23 to honor distinguished members of this profession for their
24 dedication to advancing the quality of health care in the Lone Star

1 State; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
3 Legislature hereby recognize April 8, 2015, as Texas Pharmacy Day
4 at the State Capitol and extend to all those participating sincere
5 best wishes for an informative and enjoyable event.