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H.R. No. 2283

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the San Antonio chapter of the AFL-CIO  
2 are observing Workers' Memorial Day and the 44th anniversary of the  
3 establishment of the Occupational Safety and Health Act on April  
4 28, 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, Signed into law by President Richard Nixon in 1970,  
6 the Occupational Safety and Health Act went into effect the  
7 following year on April 28; over the decades, the landmark  
8 legislation has impacted the lives of countless private sector and  
9 government employees, preventing work-related injuries, illnesses,  
10 and fatalities by providing training and implementing workplace  
11 health and safety standards; and

12 WHEREAS, Workers' Memorial Day is an internationally  
13 recognized day of remembrance for men and women who have been  
14 injured or killed while performing their jobs; with this year's  
15 theme of "Mourn for the Dead, Fight for the Living," this occasion  
16 provides a solemn reminder of the crucial need to make workplaces  
17 safer; and

18 WHEREAS, The AFL-CIO represents 56 national and  
19 international labor unions with a combined membership of 12.5  
20 million people; dedicated to advocacy and grassroots organizing,  
21 the San Antonio chapter has greatly advanced the federation's  
22 mission of safeguarding workers' rights, improving safety and  
23 health regulations, protecting employees who report workplace  
24 violations, and promoting the rights to organize and earn a decent

1 wage; and

2 WHEREAS, Workers in every field can safely perform their jobs  
3 if they receive the necessary training and equipment and if the  
4 highest standards of safety are upheld, and it is imperative that  
5 employers, employees, and organizations across the Lone Star State  
6 and the country work together to ensure that worker safety receives  
7 the attention and support that it deserves; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby honor the San Antonio chapter of the AFL-CIO for  
10 its significant efforts in behalf of area workers and commemorate  
11 its celebration of Workers' Memorial Day 2015 and the 44th  
12 anniversary of the Occupational Safety and Health Act; and, be it  
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for the chapter as an expression of high regard by the  
16 Texas House of Representatives.