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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, National Cystic Fibrosis Month in May 2015 provides  
2 a fitting opportunity for volunteers across Texas and the nation to  
3 raise awareness about this condition and to promote research for a  
4 cure; and

5           WHEREAS, Cystic fibrosis is a life-threatening genetic  
6 disease that attacks the respiratory and digestive systems,  
7 clogging the lungs and making it difficult for the body to break  
8 down food and absorb nutrients; and

9           WHEREAS, The disease afflicts 70,000 people worldwide,  
10 including 30,000 children and adults in the United States;  
11 moreover, it is estimated that 10 million Americans are symptomless  
12 carriers of the cystic fibrosis gene; and

13           WHEREAS, Cystic fibrosis used to be considered a children's  
14 disease because most patients were diagnosed when they were young  
15 and did not live long, but advancements in research and care now  
16 enable many people with the disease to live into their 30s and 40s  
17 and beyond; and

18           WHEREAS, The nonprofit Cystic Fibrosis Foundation works to  
19 find a cure and helps to fund treatment centers across the nation,  
20 including clinics in Houston, Corpus Christi, Dallas, San Antonio,  
21 Fort Worth, Austin, Temple, Amarillo, Lubbock, and Tyler; and

22           WHEREAS, Great strides have been made in the treatment of  
23 cystic fibrosis, but too many people continue to be affected by this  
24 devastating disease, and during this special month, Texans are

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1 encouraged to come together and join the search for a cure; now,  
2 therefore, be it

3           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
4 Legislature hereby recognize May 2015 as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness  
5 Month in Texas.