SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 427

WHEREAS, A delegation of leaders from CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Health System is gathering on March 24, 2015, to take part in the institution's Advocacy Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Health System is a Catholic institution that provides not-for-profit medical care to San Antonio and the surrounding region; founded in 1869 by the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, CHRISTUS Santa Rosa continues the order's healing ministry through five full-service hospitals and a number of specialty centers treating both adults and children; and

WHEREAS, In an effort to extend its reach to even more young patients, the system is transforming its campus in the heart of downtown San Antonio into a world-class, freestanding children's hospital; the revamped facility will boast expanded programs, services, and research capabilities, further enhancing CHRISTUS Santa Rosa's reputation as a premier source of pediatric care; and

WHEREAS, This worthy new undertaking benefits from a partnership with Baylor College of Medicine, one of the leading medical schools in the United States; the college has pledged to recruit more than 170 pediatric specialists to the Children's Hospital of San Antonio to offer expertise in oncology, cardiology, neurology, orthopedics, surgery, and other disciplines; the first 10 members of Baylor's new pediatric residency program based at the hospital are slated to begin their training in July; and

WHEREAS, CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Health System has long served as a beacon of hope in the San Antonio community, and on this special occasion, it is indeed fitting to honor the tireless commitment of its administrators, physicians, and staff to ensuring their patients the highest possible quality of care; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 84th Texas Legislature hereby recognize March 24, 2015, as CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Health System Advocacy Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to members of the system's leadership team who are visiting Austin today.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 24, 2014.

Secretary of the Senate