

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 615**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the 2015 Ride 2 Recovery Texas Challenge; and

**WHEREAS**, The Ride 2 Recovery Program was established as a means to assist in the rehabilitation of America's wounded and disabled veterans; participants in this year's Texas Challenge, including more than 200 injured veterans, are riding traditional and tandem bicycles, recumbent cycles, hand cycles, and a variety of other adaptive bikes on a weeklong 490-mile journey from Houston to Fort Worth; the route goes through Central Texas and includes overnight stops in College Station, Georgetown, Fort Hood, Waco, and Cleburne; and

**WHEREAS**, The Texas Challenge is followed by the one-day Clay Hunt Honor Ride, a noncompetitive fund-raising ride open to injured veterans and the general public; and

**WHEREAS**, The Ride 2 Recovery Texas Challenge is sponsored by UnitedHealthcare; this outstanding event offers an opportunity for the public to show its support and appreciation for those who have placed their lives on the line in defense of our nation's security and ideals; and

**WHEREAS**, The Ride 2 Recovery Texas Challenge plays an important role in restoring hope and purpose to the men and women who have been injured in the line of duty; the physical and mental effort and training required for cycling has proven to be invaluable as a healing therapeutic tool; and

**WHEREAS**, Participants in the ride have set challenging goals for themselves and worked hard to attain them; they also

play an important role in motivating their fellow riders to persevere in all aspects of their rehabilitation; and

**WHEREAS**, The Ride 2 Recovery Texas Challenge is truly deserving of special recognition for the profound impact it is having on the lives of our nation's wounded veterans; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commend all those associated with the Ride 2 Recovery Texas Challenge on their commitment to ensuring that our nation's veterans are able to return to their lives as fully as possible; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this exemplary event.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2015.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate