

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 689

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join promotores and community health workers from across the state in celebrating May 18, 2015, as Texas Promotores and Community Health Workers Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Since the turn of the century, promotores and community health workers have been an invaluable resource in the many communities they serve across Texas; and

WHEREAS, As trusted community members, they tirelessly promote preventive health care and wellness among the most vulnerable and underserved residents in minority populations; and

WHEREAS, These devoted specialists and caregivers integrate information about general health and the public health care system into the community's culture, language, and value systems and thereby improve access to health and social services; they conduct outreach programs in residences, community centers, clinics, hospitals, schools, worksites, and shelters, and at local cultural events, faith-based locales, and social service organizations; and

WHEREAS, These competent community health and wellness advocates provide culturally and linguistically appropriate education and raise awareness about the prevention of illness, and they navigate early detection screening and treatment of illness as well as pain and disease management; these efforts improve the quality of care and the level of compliance with prescribed care and ultimately save lives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commend all those participating in the Texas Promotores and Community Health Workers Day at the State Capitol and extend to them best wishes for a memorable celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special occasion.

Rodríguez

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 18, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate