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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Alliance of Information & Referral Systems 2 is celebrating its 40th anniversary on November 14, 2017, and in 3 February its members are visiting the Texas State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, This statewide association enjoys a diverse membership that includes community nonprofits, military and veteran service organizations, aging and disability resource centers, crisis hotlines, libraries, and state agencies; and

8 WHEREAS, Together, these dedicated groups seek to provide 9 Texans with early intervention and support in times of crisis by 10 simplifying access to health and human service providers; staffed 11 by professionals with a comprehensive understanding of the services 12 available in their communities, they empower individuals to make 13 informed choices and take appropriate action through an emphasis on 14 education, advocacy, and problem solving; and

WHEREAS, Incorporated in 1977, TAIRS plays a vital role in 15 ensuring that those individuals and organizations involved in the 16 Texas information and referral sector uphold clear and consistent 17 professional standards; it also administers certification 18 examinations throughout the year and hosts an annual education and 19 training conference, where workers learn how to better connect the 20 21 public with the resources they need; and

22 WHEREAS, The members of TAIRS work to affirm the dignity, 23 self-worth, and independence of individuals across the Lone Star 24 State, and they are indeed deserving of recognition on the occasion

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1 of this important milestone in the organization's history; now, 2 therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Texas Alliance of Information & Referral Systems and extend to its members sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable visit to Austin; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the 10 Texas House of Representatives.

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