H.R. No. 373

## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Dental Association and Texas Dental 2 Association Smiles Foundation sponsor numerous visits by a mobile 3 dental clinic to communities across the Lone Star State; and

WHEREAS, With the crucial support of dentists, laboratories,
and non-dental personnel who donate their services to help others,
the Texas Mission of Mercy program offers basic dental care free of
charge to uninsured Texans; and

8 WHEREAS, Since 2001, TMOM events have provided more than 9 29,000 patients with care valued at nearly \$15 million; on November 10 11 and 12, 2016, the first TMOM event to focus on Texas veterans was 11 held at the Cummings Recreation Center in Dallas; over 80 dentists 12 and another 388 volunteers participated, providing dental care 13 valued at nearly \$482,000 to the 462 veterans in attendance; and

14 WHEREAS, The Texas Dental Association and Texas Dental 15 Association Smiles Foundation are making an immeasurable 16 difference in the lives of those they serve, and all who make the 17 Texas Mission of Mercy possible are indeed deserving of deepest 18 appreciation; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 20 Legislature hereby commend the members of the Texas Dental 21 Association and Texas Dental Association Smiles Foundation for 22 offering vital dental care to their fellow Texans through the 2017 23 Texas Mission of Mercy; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared

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H.R. No. 3731 for these two groups as an expression of high regard by the Texas2 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 373 was adopted by the House on February 23, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House