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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, March 15, 2017, is Parent Association for the  
2 Retarded of Texas Day at the State Capitol, and the occasion  
3 provides a fitting opportunity to honor the group for its  
4 outstanding work; and

5           WHEREAS, The Parent Association for the Retarded of Texas is  
6 an organization of volunteers who promote quality services and are  
7 dedicated to preserving, improving, and expanding services for  
8 persons with intellectual disabilities; and

9           WHEREAS, The members of the Parent Association for the  
10 Retarded of Texas present the viewpoint of families, guardians, and  
11 friends to the Health and Human Services Commission, the state  
12 legislature, Congress, and the general public; and

13           WHEREAS, This association is well known for the support it  
14 offers to employees of state facilities and for its advocacy of new  
15 programs to meet the unique needs of persons with intellectual  
16 disabilities; and

17           WHEREAS, Members of the Parent Association for the Retarded  
18 of Texas are involved in the development of programs for persons  
19 with mental retardation, and through the years they have fought  
20 vigorously for improved state schools, state centers, special  
21 education, and community mental health and mental retardation  
22 centers; and

23           WHEREAS, Today, the Parent Association for the Retarded of  
24 Texas continues to protect people with intellectual disabilities

1 and tenaciously places responsibility on caregivers to maintain  
2 standards for quality care; the organization addresses such issues  
3 as fiscal accountability and special population needs; and

4 WHEREAS, The services provided by the Parent Association for  
5 the Retarded of Texas have been vital to the welfare of countless  
6 Texans, and members of the association are truly worthy of special  
7 commendation for their exceptional efforts and notable  
8 accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby recognize March 15, 2017, as Parent Association  
11 for the Retarded of Texas Day at the State Capitol and extend to all  
12 those participating best wishes for an informative and enjoyable  
13 event.