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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy 2 students from across the state are gathering in Austin on February 3 28, 2017, in celebration of Texas Pharmacy Day at the State Capitol; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, The pharmacy profession has a distinguished history 6 in Texas stretching back to the 17th century, when Spanish 7 explorers and missionaries dispensed medicines and learned about 8 Native American remedies; and

9 WHEREAS, Dedicated to the health and well-being of the 10 public, pharmacists ensure that customers receive the proper 11 medications and provide invaluable advice; pharmacists today serve 12 as the primary point of contact with the health care system for more 13 than 62 million Americans, and they play an increasingly important 14 role in counseling patients on the safe and effective use of 15 prescription medications; and

16 WHEREAS, Pharmacists work to provide affordable, lifesaving 17 medications in rural areas across Texas and the United States; 18 these valued members of the community live and work alongside 19 patients as neighbors, friends, and community leaders in addition 20 to their role as medical providers; such lasting relationships 21 build trust and confidence, making pharmacists better able to serve 22 as a resource when questions and concerns arise; and

WHEREAS, Champions on the front lines of health care,
 pharmacists contribute immeasurably to the quality of life in their

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1 communities, and it is truly a pleasure to recognize members of this
2 key profession for their commitment to strengthening the health
3 care system in the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
Legislature hereby recognize February 28, 2017, as Texas Pharmacy
Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those participating
sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable event.

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