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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Many esteemed transportation professionals are  
2 gathering in Austin on March 7, 2017, in celebration of Transit Day  
3 at the State Capitol; and

4           WHEREAS, Each year, Texas transit agencies provide over 290  
5 million passenger trips, enabling citizens to go to and from work,  
6 school, medical appointments, retail establishments, and other  
7 destinations; and

8           WHEREAS, These agencies operate a wide range of systems,  
9 among them rail, fixed-route bus lines, park-and-ride service,  
10 downtown trolleys, harbor ferries, van pools, tourist trams, and  
11 special event transport; in recent years, they have expanded access  
12 for individuals with disabilities through paratransit service,  
13 accessible fixed-route service, and mobility improvements in the  
14 streets and sidewalks of their service areas; and

15           WHEREAS, The numerous agencies across Texas include the  
16 Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority, Capital Metro in  
17 Austin, the Fort Worth Transportation Authority, Dallas Area Rapid  
18 Transit, VIA Metropolitan Transit in San Antonio, the Metropolitan  
19 Transit Authority of Harris County, Sun Metro of El Paso, and Denton  
20 County Transportation Authority; since 1986, such agencies have  
21 enjoyed the support of the Texas Transit Association, which  
22 promotes public transportation and advocates for its members in  
23 metropolitan, small urban, and rural areas alike; and

24           WHEREAS, Mass transit is vital to the continued prosperity of

1 the Lone Star State, and through their dedicated endeavors, transit  
2 agency personnel contribute immeasurably to the quality of life in  
3 the communities they serve; now, therefore, be it

4       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby recognize March 7, 2017, as Transit Day at the  
6 State Capitol and extend to all those participating in the event  
7 sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable visit to  
8 Austin.