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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Osteopathic Medical
2 Association are visiting the State Capitol on April 20, 2017, for
3 Doctors of Osteopathic Medical Excellence (DOME) Day, and this
4 occasion offers a welcome opportunity to recognize the important
5 contributions that osteopathic physicians make to the health care
6 system in the Lone Star State; and

7 WHEREAS, Trained to consider the health of the whole person,
8 DOs are fully licensed to prescribe medicine and to practice in all
9 medical specialties, including surgery; they pay particular
10 attention to how nerves, muscles, bones, and organs work together
11 to influence health, and through osteopathic manipulative
12 treatment, DOs use their hands to diagnose injury and illness and
13 stimulate the body's natural ability to heal itself; and

14 WHEREAS, Representing osteopathic physicians across the
15 state, the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association was founded in
16 1900 by a group of five physicians; the organization is dedicated to
17 advancing the philosophy and principles of osteopathic medicine and
18 serving the needs of doctors within the field; and

19 WHEREAS, Practitioners of osteopathic medicine play an
20 essential role in maintaining the health and well-being of
21 countless Texans, and these skilled professionals may indeed
22 reflect with pride on the exceptional care they provide to their
23 patients; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby recognize April 20, 2017, as Doctors of
2 Osteopathic Medical Excellence Day at the State Capitol; and, be it
3 further

4 RESOLVED, That April 16-22, 2017, be recognized as Texas
5 Osteopathic Medicine Week.