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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Podiatric Medical Association
2 are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the organization's
3 founding on June 24, 2017; and

4 WHEREAS, The TPMA traces its origins back to October 22,
5 1917, when the Texas Chiropodist Society held its first organized
6 meeting; in 1923, the 38th Texas Legislature passed a bill adding
7 the practice of chiropody, now known as podiatry, to the Medical
8 Practice Act, and in 1939, the State of Texas began independently
9 licensing chiropodists; and

10 WHEREAS, The organization adopted the Texas Podiatric
11 Medical Association as its name in 1986; today, its membership
12 includes more than 680 doctors of podiatric medicine, or
13 podiatrists, who are uniquely qualified to diagnose and treat
14 conditions affecting the foot and ankle; the care that they provide
15 to Texas patients can reduce hospitalizations and save millions in
16 medical costs, and their services are of crucial importance to
17 diabetic patients with complications of the lower extremities; and

18 WHEREAS, For a century, the Texas Podiatric Medical
19 Association has advanced the interests and standard of care of a
20 medical profession that is vital to the well-being of countless
21 Texans, and it is a pleasure to join in recognizing this special
22 milestone in its history; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
24 Legislature hereby honor the Texas Podiatric Medical Association on

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1 its centennial celebration and commend the men and women of this
2 exemplary organization for their important work; and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for the Texas Podiatric Medical Association as an
5 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.