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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Communities across the Lone Star State and beyond
2 are observing National Mental Health Month in May 2018; and

3 WHEREAS, Sponsored by Mental Health America, National Mental
4 Health Month serves to educate people about the importance of
5 mental health to their overall state of well-being through local
6 events, screenings, and media outreach; this worthwhile initiative
7 makes valuable information available to the public; and

8 WHEREAS, Mental Health America is the nation's oldest
9 advocacy organization addressing the full spectrum of mental health
10 and substance use conditions; it is dedicated to promoting mental
11 health, preventing or ameliorating potentially serious adverse
12 mental and substance use conditions, and achieving victory over
13 mental illnesses and addictions through advocacy, education,
14 research, and service; and

15 WHEREAS, Affecting all aspects of life, mental health
16 problems are both real and painful, but a wide range of beneficial
17 resources exist to help citizens and their families cope with these
18 challenges; Texas has made huge strides but still has work to do to
19 make sure all Texans can and know how to receive the mental health
20 care that they need; nearly 80 percent of Texans say they have a
21 close friend or family member who has experienced a mental
22 health-related issue, while only 31 percent of Texans feel that
23 they know where to go to get help; now, therefore, be it

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

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1 Legislature hereby recognize May 2018 as National Mental Health
2 Month and encourage all Texans to learn more about mental health
3 issues.