## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 602

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the public-spirited citizens from across the Lone Star State who are gathering in Austin on April 10, 2017, to advocate for women and their families during Blue Ribbon Lobby Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Organized by progressive and Democratic women and leaders from around the state, Blue Ribbon Lobby Day was created to bring attention to issues important to Texas women, including public education, health care, and economic well-being; and

WHEREAS, During this day of action, progressive and Democratic women are meeting with state legislators to discuss the message that women are integral to the economic success of this state and that the state's continued prosperity depends on ensuring that women have equal opportunities and that their rights are equally protected; and

WHEREAS, Those who attend the day's events are wearing blue to signify their support of the cause and to raise awareness of a number of disheartening statistics, such as those indicating that Texas has the highest percentage of uninsured women in the country and that more than one-fourth of Texas children live in poverty, totaling some 1.7 million; and

WHEREAS, Blue Ribbon Lobby Day is helping to raise the voices of women and their families and call attention to their concerns, and the event stands as a testament to the positive difference that engaged Texas women can make; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby recognize April 10, 2017, as Blue Ribbon Lobby

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Day at the Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the advocates who are visiting today; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of Blue Ribbon Lobby Day.

Garcia, Hinojosa, Menéndez, Miles, Rodríguez, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini

Member, Texas Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 10, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate