By:  Guillen (Senate Sponsor - Powell) H.C.R. No. 59

(In the Senate - Received from the House April 24, 2019; April 29, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Administration; May 3, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 3, 2019, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

               Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Hughes          X

Fallon          X

Huffman                   X

Johnson         X

Menéndez                  X

Nichols                   X

Zaffirini       X

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, School psychologists play an indispensable role in fostering an environment that is safe, supportive, and conducive to learning, and the observance of School Psychologist Appreciation Week in November serves as a welcome opportunity to recognize those who devote themselves to this important work; and

WHEREAS, Trained to apply their expertise in mental health, learning, and behavior to promote the well-being and academic success of youth, school psychologists provide support for students by working with teaching staff and parents to develop interventions and by coordinating with pediatricians, therapists, and social workers to maintain a continuum of mental health care; and

WHEREAS, School psychologists help to teach positive behavior and coping skills, to ensure that students are being taught according to their abilities, and to keep all students, including those with diverse learning needs, motivated and engaged; moreover, they are committed to preventing and eliminating bullying and other forms of violence and to identifying at-risk students; and

WHEREAS, Integral members of the campus communities they serve, school psychologists help young people to successfully navigate social, emotional, and academic challenges, and these dedicated professionals are deserving of our thanks for the vital work that they perform each day; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 86th Legislature of the State of Texas hereby designate the second week of November as School Psychologist Appreciation Week; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remain in effect until the 10th anniversary of the date that this resolution is finally passed by the legislature.

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