**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 215**

**WHEREAS**, Community action agencies in Texas have long provided vital services to the Lone Star State's most vulnerable citizens in an effort to help them alleviate poverty and become self-sufficient; and

**WHEREAS**, Created when the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 was signed into law, community action agencies have a 54-year history of promoting self-sufficiency for citizens of limited income in all Texas counties; and

**WHEREAS**, Community action agencies are governed by a tripartite board representative of the entire community, including elected public officials, members of business, industry, labor, religious, law enforcement, education, or other major groups in the community and representatives of low-income individuals and families in the service area; and

**WHEREAS**, Community action agencies provide a wide range of services that have kept pace with the changing needs of society and encompass disaster relief, literacy and life skills training, employment training, child and adult care, financial and leadership empowerment, energy efficiency programs and utility payment assistance, case management, transportation and nutritional assistance to the elderly and homebound, and a host of other programs; and

**WHEREAS**, With a mission of helping people and changing lives, community action agencies have indeed helped to make Texas a better place in which to live, work, and raise a family; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby commend the community action agencies of Texas on their many contributions to the citizens of our state; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Texas Association of Community Action Agencies as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_     President of the Senate     I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 19, 2019.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_     Secretary of the Senate\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_      Member, Texas Senate