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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Association for Behavior
2 Analysis are gathering in Austin on March 6 and 7, 2019, to
3 celebrate TxABA Days at the State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, The Texas Association for Behavior Analysis works to
5 advance the science and application of applied behavior analysis,
6 or ABA, a type of therapy that is considered an evidence-based best
7 practice treatment by the U.S. Surgeon General and the American
8 Psychological Association; and

9 WHEREAS, ABA is used to build a range of skills and reduce
10 problematic behaviors in individuals with autism, intellectual and
11 developmental disabilities, learning and communication
12 difficulties, brain injuries, physical disabilities, and
13 age-related infirmities, as well as in more typically developing
14 children and adults; it has been shown to have significant benefits
15 for clients in a variety of settings and to decrease the need for
16 special services; and

17 WHEREAS, TxABA is a state chapter of the Association for
18 Behavior Analysis International and an affiliate of the Association
19 of Professional Behavior Analysts; today, 11 Texas colleges and
20 universities offer degrees in the field of behavior analysis, and
21 during the 85th Legislative Session in 2017, the Texas Legislature
22 created licensure for board-certified behavior analysts and
23 assistant behavior analysts; in its mission to serve as an
24 information resource for the public, in addition to professional

1 behavior analysts, TxABA hosts an online provider directory for
2 consumers to locate consultants and organizations in their area
3 that have expertise in behavior analysis; and

4 WHEREAS, Applied behavior analysts have excelled in their
5 efforts to enhance the quality of life for their clients, and the
6 Texas Association for Behavior Analysis merits praise for advancing
7 the practice of this important profession in our state; now,
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
10 Legislature hereby recognize March 6 and 7, 2019, as TxABA Days at
11 the State Capitol and extend to members of the Texas Association for
12 Behavior Analysis sincere best wishes for an enjoyable and
13 informative visit; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the
16 Texas House of Representatives.