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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The observance of Texas Retired Teachers Week from
- 2 April 1 through 5, 2019, provides a welcome opportunity to
- 3 recognize the members of the Texas Retired Teachers Association for
- 4 the vital contributions they have made to the state; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The Texas Retired Teachers Association represents
- 6 retired public school and higher education employees; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The members of this notable group continually strive
- 8 to improve their local communities throughout the state, and they
- 9 have donated over 5.8 million hours of their time as volunteers,
- 10 equivalent to a value of more than \$143 million; to promote literacy
- 11 and lifelong learning, they have also provided over a million books
- 12 to children through the Children's Book Project, including 138,625
- 13 last year alone; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Conscious of the effect their health has on the
- 15 world around them, members of the association seek to preserve the
- 16 TRS-Care benefits program by reducing doctor visits, exercising
- 17 regularly, and eating healthy foods; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Retiree annuity payments from the Teacher
- 19 Retirement System of Texas have exceeded \$10.1 billion and have
- 20 directly created 137,729 jobs in the Lone Star State; and
- 21 WHEREAS, The Texas Retired Teachers Association and its more
- 22 than 94,000 members are working diligently to protect current and
- 23 future public education retirees; now, therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby recognize April 1 through 5, 2019, as Texas
- 2 Retired Teachers Week; and, be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the
- 5 Texas House of Representatives.