

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 566

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the Alzheimer's Association and Texans across the state in observing April 17, 2019, as Alzheimer's Association State Advocacy Day; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease is a progressive neurodegenerative brain disorder that robs people of their memories and leads to mental and physical impairments; it is the sixth-leading cause of death in the United States and the only disease in the top 10 that has no cure, treatment, or method to slow its progression; and

WHEREAS, More than 5.8 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease, including 390,000 in Texas; these Texans are served by 1.4 million dedicated caregivers who provide unpaid home care valued at more than \$20.5 billion; and

WHEREAS, The National Institute on Aging estimates that Alzheimer's disease costs businesses more than \$37 billion each year in lost productivity for employees who miss work or leave the workforce to care for a relative; and

WHEREAS, Early detection and diagnosis of the disease allow individuals to gain access to treatment, medications, and critical research trials; it is truly fitting that a day be set aside to raise awareness of the options available to the men and women living with the disease; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby commend the members and supporters of the Alzheimer's Association on their commitment to serving those with the disease and extend to them best wishes for a productive and rewarding Alzheimer's Association State Advocacy Day; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the association as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Campbell

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 11, 2019.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate