

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 129

WHEREAS, The observance of Texas Retired Teachers Week from April 5 through 9, 2021, provides a welcome opportunity to recognize the members of the Texas Retired Teachers Association for the vital contributions they have made to the state; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Retired Teachers Association represents retired public school and higher education employees; and

WHEREAS, The members of this notable group continually strive to improve their local communities throughout the state, and they have donated over 3.6 million hours of their time as volunteers, equivalent to a value of more than \$99 million; to promote literacy and lifelong learning, they have also provided over 1.25 million books to children through the Children's Book Project, including 101,537 last year alone; and

WHEREAS, Conscious of the effect their health has on the world around them, members of the association seek to preserve the TRS-Care benefits program by reducing doctor visits, exercising regularly, and eating healthy foods; and

WHEREAS, Retiree annuity payments from the Teacher Retirement System of Texas have exceeded \$11.6 billion and have directly created 194,544 jobs in the Lone Star State; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Retired Teachers Association and its nearly 100,000 members are working diligently to protect current and future public education retirees; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby recognize April 5 through 9, 2021, as Texas Retired Teachers Week; and, be it further

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

Hughes

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 11, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate