S.B. No. 485

AN ACT

relating to designating the second Saturday in October as Hospice and Palliative Care Day.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 662.081 to read as follows:

Sec. 662.081.  HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE DAY. (a) The second Saturday in October is Hospice and Palliative Care Day to bring awareness to the role of hospice and palliative care in optimizing the quality of life for seriously ill patients and their families.

(b)  Hospice and Palliative Care Day may be regularly observed by appropriate ceremonies and activities.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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I hereby certify that S.B. No. 485 passed the Senate on April 20, 2023, by the following vote:  Yeas 31, Nays 0.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_    Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 485 passed the House on May 19, 2023, by the following vote:  Yeas 134, Nays 9, two present not voting.

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Approved:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_             Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_           Governor