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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Juvenile justice professionals are gathering in
- 2 Austin on February 28, 2023, for Texas Juvenile Justice
- 3 Professional Day at the State Capitol; and
- 4 WHEREAS, One of the most advanced juvenile justice systems in
- 5 the nation, the Texas network is composed of 165 community-based
- 6 probation departments, which serve youth and families in all 254
- 7 counties of the Lone Star State in partnership with the Texas
- 8 Juvenile Justice Department; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The juvenile probation departments handle 100
- 10 percent of the referrals of young people to the juvenile justice
- 11 system each year through the efforts of more than 8,200 certified
- 12 juvenile probation and supervision officers, and departments
- 13 continue to provide services at the local level to 98 percent of
- 14 those referrals; and
- WHEREAS, Every day, the dedicated men and women of the
- 16 juvenile justice system make a positive difference in the lives of
- 17 young Texans, helping them to embark on a better path, and in so
- 18 doing, they contribute to both the strength of their families and
- 19 the safety of our communities; now, therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 21 Legislature hereby recognize February 28, 2023, as Texas Juvenile
- 22 Justice Professional Day at the State Capitol and extend to our
- 23 state's outstanding juvenile justice professionals sincere best
- 24 wishes for continued success in their important work.