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S.R. No. 218

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Academy of Physician Assistants  
2 are gathering in Austin for Texas Physician Assistant Day at the  
3 State Capitol on February 21, 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, Established in 1975, the Texas Academy of Physician  
5 Assistants represents more than 2,500 physician assistants and  
6 students throughout the state; the organization aims to improve the  
7 health of all Texans by supporting PAs through professional  
8 development, education, representation, and legislative advocacy;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Physician assistants are highly educated and  
11 qualified medical professionals who are licensed to diagnose  
12 illness, develop and manage treatment plans, and serve as a  
13 patient's principal health care provider; employed in doctors'  
14 offices, hospitals, and clinics, PAs are often the first point of  
15 contact for patients, and they play an important role in helping  
16 them understand their health care needs and empowering them to be  
17 effective advocates for their own health; and

18 WHEREAS, Because of their advanced education in medicine, PAs  
19 are valuable assets to the medical teams on which they serve, and  
20 they are instrumental in enhancing the availability of high-quality  
21 health care, particularly in rural and other medically underserved  
22 areas; and

23 WHEREAS, Through their vital work on the front lines of  
24 patient care, physician assistants contribute to the well-being and

1 quality of life of countless Texans, and they are deserving of their  
2 fellow citizens' deep respect and appreciation; now, therefore, be  
3 it

4       RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature  
5 hereby recognize February 21, 2023, as Texas Physician Assistant  
6 Day at the State Capitol and commend the Texas Academy of Physician  
7 Assistants for its efforts to advance the practice of this  
8 important profession in our state; and, be it further

9       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
10 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the  
11 Texas Senate.