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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, July 30, 2025, marks the 60th anniversary of the
- 2 signing of the Medicare and Medicaid Act; and
- 3 WHEREAS, On that day in 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson
- 4 signed the Medicare and Medicaid Act, also known as the Social
- 5 Security Amendments of 1965, into law; the landmark bill
- 6 established two programs: Medicare, which provides health
- 7 insurance to citizens age 65 or older, and Medicaid, which provides
- 8 health insurance to people with limited income; during the first
- 9 three years following the passage of the legislation, nearly 20
- 10 million beneficiaries were enrolled in the programs; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Across the United States, 68.6 million individuals
- 12 are currently enrolled in Medicare, and 71.1 million are enrolled
- 13 in Medicaid, with approximately 12 million people enrolled in both
- 14 programs; as of 2024, there were more than 4.7 million Texans
- 15 receiving Medicare benefits, and in April 2025, over 4.1 million
- 16 adults and children in Texas were enrolled in Medicaid or the
- 17 Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP); and
- WHEREAS, Over the past six decades, the Medicare and Medicaid
- 19 programs have made vital health care services more accessible to
- 20 generations of Americans, and it is indeed a privilege to join in
- 21 celebrating this important milestone; now, therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 1st
- 23 Called Session, hereby commemorate the 60th anniversary of the
- 24 signing of the Medicare and Medicaid Act.