

AN ACT

relating to designating March 17 as Profound Autism Awareness 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 662.089 to read as follows:

Sec. 662.089. PROFOUND AUTISM AWARENESS DAY. (a) March 17 is Profound Autism Awareness Day to raise awareness about profound autism. People with profound autism often require continuous care from an adult caregiver throughout their lives, may have severe intellectual disabilities, difficulty speaking, or an inability to speak, and are frequently excluded from research and support programs because of their unique needs.

(b) Profound Autism Awareness Day may be regularly observed by appropriate ceremonies and activities, including by showing support for those who experience profound autism and providing information regarding resources for people with profound autism and their caregivers.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

H.B. No. 3096

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3096 was passed by the House on April 30, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 135, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3096 was passed by the Senate on May 9, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor