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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Texans of all ages benefit from the work of
- 2 counseling professionals, and the designation of April as
- 3 Counseling Awareness Month serves as a fitting means to honor those
- 4 who dedicate themselves to this important calling; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Professional counselors provide a wide range of
- 6 services to help people overcome mental health challenges and live
- 7 healthier and more productive lives; they currently make up the
- 8 largest group of mental health providers in the state, with more
- 9 than 13,000 Certified School Counselors and 34,000 Licensed
- 10 Professional Counselors and LPC Associates; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Individuals can access professional counseling
- 12 services through educational institutions, mental health agencies,
- 13 community organizations, hospitals, rehabilitation centers,
- 14 private practices, and other settings; and
- 15 WHEREAS, By empowering people to address their
- 16 social-emotional needs and achieve their goals, professional
- 17 counselors play a vital role in strengthening our communities, and
- 18 the official designation of Counseling Awareness Month helps to
- 19 promote a better understanding of their essential contributions;
- 20 now, therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas
- 22 hereby designate April as Counseling Awareness Month; and, be it
- 23 further
- 24 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section

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- 1 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remain in effect
- 2 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally
- 3 passed by the legislature.