SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 109

WHEREAS, Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month is being observed in March 2025 to focus attention on hemophilia and other hereditary bleeding disorders that impact the lives of some three million Americans; and

WHEREAS, Bleeding disorders are characterized by the body's inability to form proper blood clots, which occurs due to defects in platelets, clotting proteins, or blood vessels; although these diseases are almost always inherited, in rare cases, they may develop later in life when the body develops an autoimmune response to the blood's natural clotting factors; and

WHEREAS, When the normal clotting process is diminished, patients may experience problems with bleeding excessively from relatively minor injuries; other symptoms can include easy bruising, unexplained nosebleeds, and anemia; if not treated effectively, bleeding disorders can be fatal; and

WHEREAS, Hemophilia Awareness Month was first designated federally in March 1986; three decades later, in March 2016, the Department of Health and Human Services expanded the observance to include other bleeding disorders, such as von Willebrand disease; and

WHEREAS, Bleeding disorders are life-changing and potentially deadly conditions, and Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month serves as a means of rallying support for vital research and resources that can help improve the outlook for those living with these diseases; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby recognize March 2025 as Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month and encourage all Texans to learn more about bleeding disorders.

Bettencourt

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 25, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate