

1-1 By: Lucio S.C.R. No. 28
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 12, 2015; March 23, 2015, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental
1-4 Relations; April 7, 2015, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; April 7, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

| | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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1-15 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-16 WHEREAS, Since the 1970s, April has been set aside as
1-17 National Autism Awareness Month in order to inform the public about
1-18 autism and issues within the autism community; and
1-19 WHEREAS, Autism spectrum disorder and autism are general
1-20 terms for a group of complex disorders of brain development; they
1-21 are characterized by varying levels of difficulty in social
1-22 interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication, and repetitive
1-23 behaviors; and
1-24 WHEREAS, According to the United States Centers for Disease
1-25 Control and Prevention, 1 in every 68 children is affected by
1-26 autism, compared with 1 in 150 a decade ago; the Autism Society
1-27 calculates that more than 3.5 million Americans of all ages live
1-28 with an autism spectrum disorder; and
1-29 WHEREAS, The cause of this disorder is unknown, but
1-30 behavioral intervention can dramatically improve outcomes; early
1-31 diagnosis and intervention are crucial to ensure effective
1-32 treatment that can help these valuable members of society use their
1-33 skills and talents to reach their full potential; now, therefore,
1-34 be it
1-35 RESOLVED, That the 84th Legislature of the State of Texas
1-36 hereby recognize April 2015 as Autism Awareness Month and encourage
1-37 all Texans to learn more about autism spectrum disorder.

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