1-1 S.B. No. 485 By: Johnson (In the Senate - Filed January 18, 2023; February 17, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Administration; April 19, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; April 19, 2023, sent to printer.) 1**-**2 1**-**3 1-4 1-5 1-6 1 - 7Yea Nay Absent PNV 1-8 Hall 1-9 X Springer 1-10 1-11 Alvarado Johnson 1-12 Menéndez Χ Middleton 1-13 Χ 1-14 Parker A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-15 1-16 AN ACT 1-17 1-18 relating to designating the second Saturday in October as Hospice and Palliative Care Day. 1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 662.081 to read as follows:

Sec. 662.081. HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE DAY. (a) The second Saturday in October is Hospice and Palliative Care Day to bring awareness to the role of hospice and palliative care in 1-20 1-21 1-22 1-23 1-24 1-25 optimizing the quality of life for seriously ill patients and their families. (b) 1-26 (b) Hospice and Palliative Care Day may be regularly observed by appropriate ceremonies and activities.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023. 1-27 1-28 1-29

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