1-1 Johnson S.B. No. 644 By: (In the Senate - Filed December 18, 2024; February 3, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Administration; May 12, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 12, 2025, sent to printer.) 1**-**2 1**-**3 1-4 1-5 1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE 1 - 7Yea Nav Absent PNV 1-8 X 1-9 Hinojosa of Nueces X 1-10 1-11 Cook Eckhardt 1-12 Kolkhorst X 1-13 Menéndez Χ Middleton 1-14 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-15 1-16 AN ACT 1-17 relating to designating the second Saturday in October as Hospice ī**-**18 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 662.0815 to read as follows: 1-20 1-21 Sec. 662.0815. 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 1-22 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, 2025. 1-27 1-28 1-29

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