## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Together Rx Access card program has made it possible for numerous Texans with no prescription drug coverage to obtain medicine at a savings of 25 to 40 percent; and

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WHEREAS, Launched in January 2005 by 10 pharmaceutical companies, Together Rx Access was created to help low-income, uninsured individuals and families gain access to prescription medications and products at a significantly reduced rate; this free, easy-to-use program is sponsored by GlaxoSmithKline, Abbott Laboratories, AstraZeneca, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Johnson & Johnson, Pfizer, sanofi aventis, Takeda, LifeScan, PriCara, Ortho Biotech, Ortho-McNeil, Ortho-McNeil Neurologics, OrthoNeutrogena, Ortho Women's Health & Urology, Vistakon, Janssen, and TAP Pharmaceutical Products, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, More than five million Texans, or 23 percent of the state's population, do not have health insurance, including 21 percent of the state's children; unless they have the resources to pay for staggeringly expensive treatments themselves, uninsured individuals have limited access to proper health care; and

WHEREAS, Together Rx Access is helping to address the health care needs of the state's most vulnerable population, and this innovative program is indeed worthy of special praise; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas

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- 1 hereby commend the Together Rx Access card program and
- 2 participating pharmaceutical companies for their efforts to help
- 3 uninsured Texans get prescription medication at reduced rates; and,
- 4 be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for Together Rx Access as an expression of high regard by
- 7 the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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H.C.R. No. 3

Maria Benhurst

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 3 was adopted by the House on March 29, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 3 was adopted by the Senate on March 29, 2007, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:

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