

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives and Senate are  
2 pleased to welcome the medical students and residents visiting the  
3 State Capitol on this day, April 5, 2005; and

4           WHEREAS, Medical schools and teaching hospitals in Texas play  
5 a vital role in furnishing the trained physicians that this state  
6 needs in order to provide quality health care for all its citizens;  
7 and

8           WHEREAS, Texas currently has eight medical schools and four  
9 regional academic health centers, facilities that offer clinical  
10 training to more than 5,000 men and women; in addition, it has 468  
11 accredited residency programs, which prepare physicians to  
12 practice in a specific medical specialty; and

13           WHEREAS, From the standpoint of patient care, residency  
14 programs contribute immeasurably to the Texas health care system;  
15 residents provide medical services to countless patients, and  
16 typically tag-team to provide around-the-clock coverage at  
17 teaching hospitals, which generally deal with the most difficult  
18 medical cases; and

19           WHEREAS, As the state grows and its population ages, there  
20 will be a growing need for well-trained and compassionate  
21 physicians; and

22           WHEREAS, For Texas to continue to be a strong and productive  
23 state, access to quality health care must be assured, and medical  
24 students and residents are a vital component of the state's future;

1 they and all those associated with medical schools and teaching  
2 hospitals are most deserving of special recognition for their  
3 invaluable work; now, therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas  
5 hereby honor the medical students, medical schools, residents, and  
6 teaching hospitals of Texas for their contributions to the health  
7 and well-being of citizens of the Lone Star State and welcome the  
8 medical personnel who have traveled to Austin for this occasion.

Branch

David Newkirk

President of the Senate

Jon Corzine

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 140 was adopted by the House on April 5, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Robert Haney  
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 140 was adopted by the Senate on April 5, 2005, by a viva-voce vote.

Patsy Spaw  
Secretary of the Senate

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Date

RICK PERRY

Governor

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Secretary of State