## S.C.R. No. 28

## 1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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

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the Senate

hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 28 was adopted by the Senate

on April 9, 2015.\_\_

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 28 was adopted by the House

on May 21, 2015.\_\_

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