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Those facilities that provide Texas senior citizens with support and assistance while allowing them to maintain their independence and dignity are indeed worthy of special recognition.

With the number of elderly Americans on the rise, it is increasingly important to ensure housing and resources are available to preserve their quality of life. Assisted living offers relatively independent senior citizens the minor health care services and help they need to continue residing in a home setting.

Approximately 40,000 Texans live in more than 1,700 licensed assisted living communities. By offering socialization and personal wellness opportunities, along with staff who interact daily with residents, these facilities help prevent seniors from becoming isolated.

Assisted living facilities and the caring workers who run them render invaluable services to many Texas seniors and their families, and in so doing, they contribute significantly to communities throughout the state.

RESOLVED

That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas hereby designate the first Tuesday in March 2013 as Texas Assisted Living Awareness Day.

That in accordance with the provisions of Section 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remains in effect until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is passed.