## **HOUSE RESOLUTION 64**

## By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to celebrate March 2019 as "Social Work Month" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the social work profession is dedicated to enhancing well-being and helping meet the basic needs of all people, especially those who are vulnerable and living in poverty; and

WHEREAS, this year's Social Work Month theme, "Elevate Social Work," embodies the need to recognize the extraordinary contributions of the social work profession; and

WHEREAS, social workers elevate and empower people, giving them the ability to solve problems, cope with personal roadblocks, and get the resources they need to succeed; and

WHEREAS, social workers can be found across Tennessee working in government, schools, universities, social service agencies, communities, corporations, the military, and a variety of medical and mental health settings; and

WHEREAS, over fifteen public and private universities provide accredited social work education programs at the baccalaureate, master, and doctoral level in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, social workers are the largest group of licensed mental health providers in the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, social workers travel across the nation and world to aid people in crisis, helping them overcome issues such as death and grief, epidemics, and natural disasters such as wildfires, hurricanes, and floods; and

WHEREAS, the social work profession, for more than a century, has been helping to create changes to make our communities better places in which to live; and

WHEREAS, over 500 social work students, faculty, and professionals from across

Tennessee will gather on March 27, 2019, in Nashville for Social Work Day on the Hill; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we join with the social workers of our State as they celebrate March 2019 as "Social Work Month" in Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.