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H.R. No. 1359

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Brandi Spieth of San Antonio has distinguished
2 herself as a member of the Texas Partners in Policymaking Class of
3 2025; and

4 WHEREAS, Organized by the Texas Council for Developmental
5 Disabilities, Texas Partners in Policymaking is a leadership
6 training program designed to empower adults with developmental
7 disabilities and their families as advocates for policy change;
8 over the course of seven months, participants learn about
9 disability history, systems, and policy while meeting with a
10 variety of subject matter experts; many graduates have gone on to
11 serve on various boards, councils, task forces, and advisory
12 committees, and some have run for public office; and

13 WHEREAS, A mother of four children, three of whom have
14 disabilities, Mrs. Spieth first became involved in advocacy after
15 recognizing the challenges that her own children, as well as her
16 patients and students, faced due to their disabilities; she focused
17 her capstone project, Project ABLE, on identifying medical
18 providers and practices that have experience, knowledge, and
19 training with the intellectual and developmental disability
20 population and on developing a social media page highlighting
21 various educational opportunities and resources; and

22 WHEREAS, Mrs. Spieth is a pediatric speech language
23 pathologist with 22 years of experience and a certified lactation
24 consultant, and she has worked with children with disabilities in a

1 school setting, via home health, and in a hospital setting as a
2 rehabilitation therapist; she currently works in a local children's
3 hospital; and

4 WHEREAS, By taking part in the Texas Partners in Policymaking
5 program, Brandi Spieth has developed the knowledge and skills
6 necessary to effect positive change in her community and beyond,
7 and it is a pleasure to join in recognizing her for this notable
8 accomplishment; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Brandi Spieth on graduating as a
11 member of the Texas Partners in Policymaking Class of 2025 and
12 extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Mrs. Spieth as an expression of high regard by the
15 Texas House of Representatives.