## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Coyle Middle School Band of the Garland Independent School District has earned international recognition with its receipt of the prestigious Sudler Silver Cup award for 2003; and

WHEREAS, Awarded by the John Philip Sousa Foundation, the cup was established to recognize junior high school and middle school concert band programs throughout the United States and Canada that have demonstrated exemplary standards of excellence over a period of at least seven years under the same conductor; and

WHEREAS, Only an elite few have received the Sudler Cup during the award's 19-year history, and by attaining such a distinction the Coyle band has achieved a truly remarkable feat; and

WHEREAS, The band's stellar director, Marcia Zofutto, has consistently inspired her young musicians to perform at the highest level, and for her vital role in winning the Sudler Cup, her name, along with that of the school, will be engraved on the silver cup's base; in addition, each band member will receive a handsome individualized diploma as a fitting memento of their accomplishment; and

WHEREAS, A tremendous source of pride to the students and faculty of Coyle Middle School and to the citizens of Rowlett, the band and Ms. Zofutto have thoroughly exemplified the qualities of commitment and perseverance necessary to be considered this
nation's best; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas, 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate all those associated with the Coyle Middle School Band on receiving the John Philip Sousa Foundation Sudler Silver Cup award and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the band and its director as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

