

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Grisham Middle School (GMS) Band of the Round  
2 Rock Independent School District has earned international  
3 recognition with its receipt of the prestigious Sudler Silver Cup  
4 award; and

5           WHEREAS, Awarded by the John Philip Sousa Foundation, the  
6 Sudler Cup was established 19 years ago to recognize junior high  
7 school and middle school concert band programs throughout the  
8 United States and Canada that have demonstrated exemplary standards  
9 of excellence over a period of at least seven years under the same  
10 conductor; and

11           WHEREAS, Band director Betty Pierce has built a widely  
12 popular band that truly exemplifies the John Philip Sousa  
13 Foundation mission; the band has ranked in the top five Texas middle  
14 school bands for the past four years and recently received perfect  
15 scores in University Interscholastic League concert and  
16 sight-reading competitions; in addition, the GMS Honor Band was  
17 selected to perform at the Midwest Clinic International Band and  
18 Orchestra Conference in Chicago, an invitation extended to only  
19 three middle school bands; and

20           WHEREAS, Only an elite few may claim the distinction of  
21 having received a Sudler Silver Cup award, and by achieving this  
22 truly remarkable feat, the Grisham Middle School Band has become a  
23 source of tremendous pride to its community; now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

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1 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate the Grisham  
2 Middle School Band program and director Betty Pierce for receiving  
3 the Sudler Silver Cup award from the John Philip Sousa Foundation  
4 and extend to all those associated with the band sincere best wishes  
5 for the future; and, be it further

6         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for the Grisham Middle School Band as an expression of high  
8 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 189 was adopted by the House on May 17, 2004, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House