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H.R. No. 189

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

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.