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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The students involved with Project Bridge have
2 dedicated much time and energy to commendable creative pursuits and
3 their efforts are truly worthy of special recognition; and

4 WHEREAS, Project Bridge provides art enrichment for
5 teenagers who have violated the law; this beneficial program is
6 offered at the Gardner Betts Juvenile Justice Center and at the W.
7 Jeanne Meurer Juvenile Justice Center's Leadership Academy; and

8 WHEREAS, The project began in 1996, when the Texas Commission
9 on the Arts gave a grant of \$10,000 to initiate an art class within
10 the Gardner Betts center; Project Bridge later came to be sponsored
11 by the Real Estate Council of Austin, which developed the idea to
12 hold an annual auction of student artwork to raise money for the
13 project and to provide an opportunity for the young artists to see
14 that their work is marketable; and

15 WHEREAS, Art is a constructive outlet for emotional conflict,
16 a positive strategy for anger management, and a means to foster
17 self-awareness; many Texans in the juvenile justice system have
18 benefited immensely from Project Bridge, and students who
19 participate in this worthwhile program are indeed deserving of
20 special recognition; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
22 Legislature hereby commend the students involved in Project Bridge
23 and extend to them sincere best wishes for a bright and successful
24 future; and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for the participants as an expression of high regard by the
3 Texas House of Representatives.