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H.R. No. 328

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Shawna Walsh, a fifth-grade teacher at Nadine  
2 Johnson Elementary School in Hutto, has earned a lasting place in  
3 the hearts of her students as a role model and hero; and

4           WHEREAS, During lunch period on March 3, 2006, Ms. Walsh was  
5 in her classroom when one of her students, Vanessa Delgado, began  
6 waving her hands in the air signaling for help; realizing Vanessa  
7 was choking, Ms. Walsh quickly came to her aid and performed the  
8 Heimlich maneuver, a skill she had learned many years ago in CPR  
9 certification and lifeguard training; on her third attempt, Ms.  
10 Walsh succeeded in dislodging the ice cream blocking her student's  
11 airway, and Vanessa was finally able to breathe again; and

12           WHEREAS, With her swift and confident response to a critical  
13 situation, Shawna Walsh succeeded in saving the life of a child, and  
14 this caring professional is indeed a source of tremendous pride and  
15 inspiration to her family, students, and community; now, therefore,  
16 be it

17           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
18 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Shawna Walsh for  
19 her compassionate and heroic actions and for providing a happy  
20 ending to this harrowing episode; and, be it further

21           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
22 prepared for Ms. Walsh as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
23 House of Representatives.