

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Approximately 1,100 Texas children and adolescents  
2 are diagnosed with cancer each year, and the fortitude and grace  
3 with which they bear this daunting experience stands as a testament  
4 to us all; and

5           WHEREAS, Seven-year-old Jacqueline Elena Black of Corpus  
6 Christi is one such child, and with unfaltering bravery and  
7 optimism, she has undergone two surgeries and many treatments since  
8 receiving her diagnosis; throughout it all, she has remained her  
9 fun-loving, lively self, often heard telling jokes and giggling  
10 with her friends and siblings; and

11           WHEREAS, Enjoying the love and support of her parents,  
12 Barbara Canales and Paul Black, Jackie continues to struggle with  
13 an unjust enemy, refusing to let the disease dampen her love for  
14 life; she draws comfort from her grandmother, Yolanda Canales, who  
15 has been by her side since the beginning, and her devotion to  
16 animals and nature; and

17           WHEREAS, Scientists and medical professionals across the  
18 state and nation are tirelessly committed to developing and  
19 providing exceptional treatment practices to control and eliminate  
20 cancer; although the battle continues for many children, one day  
21 the shadow of cancer will no longer haunt our most vulnerable  
22 citizens; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
24 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby extend best wishes to

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1 Jacqueline Elena Black and all children across the state who are  
2 struggling with cancer and commend all those involved in the fight  
3 to end this devastating disease.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 663 was adopted by the House on May 15, 2006, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House