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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.