H.R. No. 584

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to 2 recognize Communities In Schools of Texas, an exemplary dropout 3 prevention program, for its outstanding achievement in helping kids stay in school and prepare for life; and 4

WHEREAS, Communities In Schools, through partnerships with local school districts, businesses, and the community, provides services for students in kindergarten through the 12th grade in 26 areas across the state; the organization serves more than 418,000 students and provides intensive case management services to over 68,000 students who are at risk of dropping out of school; and

WHEREAS, Texas youth face a multitude of challenges to staying in school; Communities In Schools addresses these challenges and gives students the opportunity to focus on learning; without an education, the lives of young people become even more difficult and ultimately cost the state billions of dollars; we are proud to have Communities In Schools as the state's and the nation's leading program combating the dropout problem; and

WHEREAS, Dropout prevention is not just a school problem--it is a community responsibility; ensuring the education of all young Texans is critical for a competent workforce, a stable economy, fewer prisons, and a competitive edge; it is important for the citizens of our state to assist Communities In Schools in helping our children to succeed in school and prepare for life; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to Communities In Schools of Texas
- 3 for its excellent work and recognize March 9, 2005, as Communities
- 4 In Schools Day at the Capitol and March 2005 as Communities In
- 5 Schools Month; and, be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for Communities In Schools of Texas as an expression of
- 8 esteem by the Texas House of Representatives.

Madden Wong Zedler

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 584 was adopted by the House on March 9, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House