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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Waymaker Life Strategies, an organization that

provides educational enrichment opportunities for children and

families, has empowered many individuals in the Sunnyside community

through its outstanding programs and initiatives; and

5 WHEREAS, This notable organization is currently sponsoring

the Houston's Youth Program for Enrichment (H.Y.P.E.) Freedom

School program, a six-week literacy initiative that employs the

8 Children's Defense Fund's National Integrated Reading Curriculum;

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10 WHEREAS, Freedom School students meet each weekday at Pisidia

Baptist Church; in addition to immersing themselves in the

program's curriculum, the students participate in weekly field

13 trips relevant to the themes found in that week's lessons; and

14 WHEREAS, This growing endeavor relies on the hard work and

15 contributions of college students who are charged with nurturing

16 Freedom School youths; these dedicated individuals serve as

facilitators in the classroom and lead parent workshops as well as

18 community outreach activities as part of the program; and

19 WHEREAS, By placing an emphasis on literacy and education,

Waymaker Life Strategies is helping to build stronger, more

21 effective communities, and the efforts of this civic-minded group

22 are an inspiration to citizens throughout the Lone Star State; now,

23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby commend Waymaker Life Strategies for its
- 2 contributions to serving children and families in the Sunnyside
- 3 community and extend to the organization best wishes for continued
- 4 success with the H.Y.P.E. Freedom School program.