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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The students of Kiker Elementary School in Austin 2 have demonstrated tremendous generosity of spirit, and their 3 efforts in behalf of wounded U.S. soldiers are indeed commendable; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, In January 2005, Pamela Walsh shared with the school 6 the story of Texas Air National Guard Major Scott Galliardt, a 7 critical flight nurse serving with a Critical Care Air Transport 8 Team; during his time overseas, this brave Texan has attended to the 9 needs of injured troops on the journey from the battlefield in Iraq 10 to health care facilities in Germany or back to the United States; 11 and

WHEREAS, Inspired by the noble service of Major Scott, as he is affectionately known by Kiker students, fourth-grade teacher and student council sponsor Melody Crowther presented the Kiker Student Council with his story; the body voted to create "DVDs and Stuff for Wounded Soldiers," a service project that called on students to donate movies, playing cards, and toiletries for the courageous men and women who had been hurt while serving in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, The school came together to collect more than 150 DVDs as well as student drawings, boxes of personal items, and useful supplies; local businesses, including Maudie's Hacienda and the Postal Annex, also contributed by helping to pay for shipping expenses; and

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WHEREAS, In these troubled times, it is inspiring to see

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1 young people graciously lending a hand to those in need; the 2 noteworthy boys and girls of Kiker Elementary have positively 3 affected the lives of U.S. soldiers who they have never met, and 4 they are truly deserving of special recognition for their 5 thoughtful contributions; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas 7 Legislature hereby recognize the students of Kiker Elementary 8 School for their efforts in behalf of our wounded troops and commend 9 them for their kindness and goodwill; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas 12 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1515 was adopted by the House on May 12, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House