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H.R. No. 1515

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

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

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

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.