## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The students of O. M. Roberts Elementary School in Lake Jackson have shown extraordinary compassion for the children whose countries were ravaged by the devastating tsunami that took place on December 26, 2004; and

WHEREAS, First grader Jacob Krell heard President George Bush when he asked Americans to help, and thinking of all the children who had lost their mothers and fathers in the disaster, he offered up the $\$ 8.26$ he had in his piggy bank for the cause; and

WHEREAS, Taking his idea one step further, Jacob and his mother started a school-wide drive so that all of the children at the school would be encouraged to bring in their loose pocket change; eager to aid in the effort, the children demonstrated great concern for those who had lost their homes, families, and communities, and gladly emptied out their savings to do what they could to help; and

WHEREAS, Parents, teachers, and principal Pamela Davis supported the children with their humanitarian endeavor, helping them to see how one student's idea could expand into an initiative that could make a positive difference in the lives of others halfway around the globe; and

WHEREAS, The children of O. M. Roberts Elementary School not only raised nearly $\$ 1,400$ for AmeriCares but also gave the members of their community a glimpse into the future of the caring citizens they will surely become; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature hereby honor the students of O. M. Roberts Elementary School for their outstanding tsunami-relief effort and commend them for their generosity and compassion toward their peers in faraway lands; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for these remarkable children as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

