

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 302

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Ashley Gerich of New Caney, who has been named one of Texas' top youth volunteers for 2005 by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards Program; and

WHEREAS, Prudential Financial, in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, presents the awards annually to honor young people across America for outstanding volunteerism and community service; in 2005, more than 20,000 students nationwide were considered for the awards; and

WHEREAS, A student at Caney Creek High School in Conroe, Ashley will receive a bronze medallion for qualifying as a Distinguished Finalist in the 10th year of the awards program; she is being honored for her exemplary work in providing toys and gifts for needy children in her area through her "Christmas Store" project; and

WHEREAS, Ashley Gerich has shown by example that she embodies the true spirit of giving to the community, and she will undoubtedly have a positive influence on the lives of the young children she is helping; and

WHEREAS, Ashley has earned the admiration of her peers, her community, and her state, and she is truly deserving of the honor bestowed on her; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby extend congratulations to Ashley Gerich for her selection as one of our state's Distinguished Finalists in the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards Program and extend best wishes to her in all her future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this exemplary young lady as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 7, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate