

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 370

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Grace DeForde of Friendswood, who has been named one of Texas' top two youth volunteers for 2005 by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program; and

**WHEREAS**, The awards, presented annually by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, 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 Friendswood Junior High School, Grace will receive \$1,000, an engraved silver medallion, and an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., where she will participate in a number of events as a State Honoree; and

**WHEREAS**, For the past two years, Grace has filled "goodie bags" with pharmaceutical samples and has sewn keepsake pillows to distribute at a retreat for women with bleeding and clotting disorders; and

**WHEREAS**, Grace DeForde has shown by example that she embodies the true spirit of giving to the community, and her work will undoubtedly have a positive influence on the lives of others; and

**WHEREAS**, Grace 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 Grace DeForde on her selection as a State Honoree for 2005 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 her 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 14, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate