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H.C.R. No. 216

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Nine-year-old Katie Chaix has received the Life
2 Saver Award from her school, Cecil Everett Elementary School of
3 Paris, for saving the life of her younger sister with the Heimlich
4 maneuver; and

5 WHEREAS, The Chaix family was at dinner one evening when
6 Katie's five-year-old sister, Chloe, stopped eating, clutched her
7 throat, and began to turn blue; and

8 WHEREAS, Only two days before, in a physical education class
9 taught by North Lamar Independent School District nurse Carla
10 Spann, Miss Chaix had learned that grabbing one's throat is the
11 universal sign for choking; she also learned, in that same class,
12 how to dislodge food by using the Heimlich maneuver; and

13 WHEREAS, The quick-thinking Miss Chaix immediately
14 recognized that her little sister was choking and sprang to her aid;
15 remembering what she had learned in nurse Spann's presentation, she
16 got young Chloe out of her chair and performed the Heimlich
17 maneuver, clearing her airway and saving her life; and

18 WHEREAS, The girls' mother, Shellie Chaix, contacted the
19 school to express her gratitude for her daughter's lesson in the
20 lifesaving technique, and during a recent assembly, Katie Chaix was
21 honored by her school with the Life Saver Award; and

22 WHEREAS, By paying close attention in class and using what
23 she had learned skillfully and without hesitation, Katie Chaix
24 rescued a loved one and averted what could have been a terrible

1 tragedy; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
3 hereby commend Katie Chaix for saving the life of her sister and
4 congratulate her on her receipt of a Life Saver Award from Cecil
5 Everett Elementary School; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Miss Chaix as an expression of high regard by the Texas
8 House of Representatives and Senate.