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H.R. No. 641

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Kyle Freas, a student at Plano West Senior High
2 School, has been named as a state honoree in the Prudential Spirit
3 of Community Awards, which distinguishes him as one of the top youth
4 volunteers in Texas for 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, Now in its 12th year, this prestigious awards
6 program is sponsored by Prudential Financial in partnership with
7 the National Association of Secondary School Principals and honors
8 young people throughout the United States who have demonstrated
9 extraordinary dedication to volunteerism; and

10 WHEREAS, Chosen as one of two state honorees in Texas, Mr.
11 Freas has been awarded \$1,000 and an engraved silver medallion; in
12 May, he will travel to Washington, D.C., and join other state
13 honorees for an awards ceremony and the recognition of 10 national
14 honorees who have been judged America's top youth volunteers; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Freas has made great contributions to his
16 community with his nonprofit organization Youth Together, which
17 encourages elementary and middle school students to participate in
18 a variety of projects to help homeless, abused, and critically ill
19 children; since beginning this endeavor, Mr. Freas has raised more
20 than \$70,000, developed eight community service projects, and
21 offered students in more than 100 schools the opportunity to get
22 involved; as a result, area children in need of assistance have been
23 provided with a variety of items, including backpacks, school
24 supplies, movies, games, holiday costumes, and more; and

1 WHEREAS, By taking initiative and identifying the needs of
2 young people, Mr. Freas exemplifies how one person's
3 resourcefulness and innovation can be used to help others, and his
4 outstanding efforts to better his community are indeed worthy of
5 special recognition; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Kyle Freas on being named a 2007
8 state honoree in the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards and
9 commend him for his beneficial volunteer work; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Mr. Freas as an expression of high regard by the Texas
12 House of Representatives.