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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to 1 2 recognize Communities In Schools of Texas, an exemplary dropout 3 prevention program administered by the Texas Education Agency, for its outstanding achievement in helping kids stay in school and 4 5 prepare for life; and WHEREAS, Communities In Schools, through partnerships with 6 local school districts, businesses, and the community, provides 7 services for students in kindergarten through grade 12 in 26 areas 8 9 across the state; the organization serves more than 535,000 students and provides intensive case management services to over 10 11 77,000 students who are at risk of dropping out of school; and 12 WHEREAS, Texas youth face a multitude of challenges to 13 staying in school; Communities In Schools addresses these 14 challenges and gives students the opportunity to focus on learning; without an education, the lives of young people become even more 15 difficult and ultimately cost the state billions of dollars; 16 Communities In Schools is the state's and the nation's leading 17 18 program combating the dropout problem, and the citizens of Texas are grateful for its positive role in the lives of many young 19 20 Texans; and 21 WHEREAS, Dropout prevention is not just a school problem--it 22 is also a community responsibility; ensuring the education of all

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young Texans is critical for a competent workforce, a stable

economy, fewer prisons, and a competitive edge; it is important for

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- 1 the citizens of our state to assist Communities In Schools in
- 2 helping our children to succeed in school and prepare for life; now,
- 3 therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to Communities In Schools of Texas
- 6 for its excellent work and recognize March 8, 2007, as Communities
- 7 In Schools Day at the Capitol and March 2007 as Communities In
- 8 Schools Month; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Communities In Schools of Texas as an expression of
- 11 esteem by the Texas House of Representatives.

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- 2 2007, as Communities In Schools Day at the Capitol and March 2007 as
- 3 Communities In School Month.