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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The student council of Gardens Elementary School in
Pasadena has raised \$1,858 for individuals suffering from leukemia
or lymphoma through the Pennies for Patients fund-raiser; and

WHEREAS, Since 1995, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society has sponsored the Pennies for Patients program, which encourages elementary school students to raise money to help pay for medical treatment for children and adults who battle these devastating illnesses; over the years, millions of dollars have been collected by primary and secondary students, and as a result, awareness of the two diseases has increased; and

11 WHEREAS, With the help of their advisor, Andrea Luna, the 12 student council led the campaign, working to educate fellow 13 students about this important issue; moreover, council members 14 organized the collection of money from each classroom and were 15 responsible for handling the funds; at the end of the project, the 16 students had far exceeded their fund-raising goal of \$1,000 and had 17 learned a valuable lesson in hands-on charitable work; and

18 WHEREAS, Having demonstrated leadership, compassion, and an 19 eagerness to make a difference through their involvement in a 20 worthy cause, the members of the student council have dedicated 21 much time and energy to helping others, and they may indeed reflect 22 with pride on their efforts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
Legislature hereby honor the members of the Gardens Elementary

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School student council and their advisor, Andrea Luna, for their work in behalf of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Pennies for Patients fund-raiser and extend to them best wishes for continued success in all their endeavors; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 6 prepared for the students as an expression of high regard by the 7 Texas House of Representatives.