SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 667

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Kyle Freas of Plano, who has been named one of Texas' top two youth volunteers for 2007 by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program; and

WHEREAS, Prudential Financial, in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, presents these awards annually to honor young people across the nation for outstanding volunteerism and community service; now in its 12th year, the program is the country's largest youth recognition program based solely on volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, A senior at Plano West Senior High School, Kyle founded a nonprofit organization called Youth Together six years ago; the organization encourages students at elementary and middle schools to participate in projects to help homeless, abused, and critically ill children; and

WHEREAS, In addition to teaching students about community service, Kyle's program has provided backpacks and school supplies to abused children, movies and games for pediatric patients, and holiday costumes and gifts to homeless children; he has recruited hundreds of high school student volunteers and raised more than \$70,000 in support of these projects; and

WHEREAS, The success and vitality of our communities, our state, and our American society depend in great measure upon the dedication of young people like Kyle who use their time and talents to serve others; and

WHEREAS, Kyle has shown by his example that he personifies the true spirit of giving to the community; he is truly deserving of recognition for his dedication to the needs of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby congratulate Kyle Freas for being selected as one of our state's top two youth volunteers and extend to him best wishes for success in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Shapiro

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 11, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate