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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Times of great crisis often inspire noble actions, 2 and the aftermath of Hurricane Ike proved to be no exception, as 3 evidenced by the many extraordinary relief efforts witnessed in 4 Williamson County and Central Texas; and

5 WHEREAS, Reaching out to those forced by Hurricane Ike to abandon their Gulf Coast homes, organizations in Round Rock and 6 Leander selflessly opened their doors to provide shelter and 7 sustenance to more than 2,500 evacuees, and over 160 volunteers 8 worked diligently to distribute food and other essentials; included 9 among those invaluable schools that quickly stepped forward to 10 11 offer much-needed assistance were Canyon Vista, Deerpark, Grisham, 12 Ridgeview, and Cedar Park Middle Schools and McNeil, Cedar Park, and Vista Ridge High Schools; and 13

14 WHEREAS, Area school districts, first responders, civic and 15 religious organizations, and local citizens did an exceptional job 16 of meeting the demands of this high-pressure situation, and their 17 outpouring of compassion and assistance was truly commendable; and

WHEREAS, Embodying the highest ideals of service and commitment, Leander ISD, Round Rock ISD, the local police and sheriff departments, and area residents offered comfort, hope, and security to numerous individuals in need, and in so doing, they demonstrated remarkable generosity and exemplified the can-do spirit of Williamson County; and

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WHEREAS, This esteemed group of citizens did not hesitate to

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H.R. No. 1621 1 answer an urgent call for assistance during a most challenging 2 time, and their exceptional actions make us all proud to call 3 ourselves Texans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas Legislature hereby honor Leander ISD, Round Rock ISD, the Cedar Park, Leander, and Round Rock police departments, and the Williamson County Sheriff's Office for their contributions to Hurricane Ike evacuees and extend to them sincere praise for a job well done.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1621 was adopted by the House on May 4, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House