

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 483

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join Texans across the state in celebrating the exemplary accomplishments of Communities In Schools of Texas; and

WHEREAS, An effective and successful dropout prevention program, Communities In Schools was established in Texas in 1979, beginning in Houston, and it now operates 27 programs across the state; and

WHEREAS, Communities In Schools operates in partnership with local school districts, businesses, and the community at large to provide services to students who are at risk of dropping out of school; and

WHEREAS, In 2008 alone, this exceptional program served more than 560,000 students across the state and provided intensive case management to more than 85,000 students, keeping 98 percent of eligible participants in school; and

WHEREAS, Ensuring the education of all young people in Texas is critical to maintaining a competitive edge in the workforce and a stable economy; Communities In Schools addresses the myriad challenges faced by today's students by allowing them to focus on learning; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend Communities In Schools of Texas on its exemplary achievements in keeping young people in school and call upon all Texans to celebrate March, 2009, as Communities In Schools Month and March 25, 2009, as Communities In Schools Day at the State Capitol; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this outstanding organization as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Shapleigh

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 25, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate