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H.R. No. 311

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Sara Reidy of the Kessler Park neighborhood in  
2 Dallas identified a transportation-related issue that was  
3 negatively impacting the quality of life in her community, and  
4 through her initiative, steps are being taken to address the  
5 problem; and

6           WHEREAS, Concerned about the noise levels from nearby  
7 Interstate 30, Ms. Reidy purchased a decibel meter and took  
8 measurements that showed the volume emanating from the highway was  
9 exceeding Texas Department of Transportation standards; and

10           WHEREAS, This concerned citizen demonstrated outstanding  
11 leadership by coordinating with state officials and various  
12 neighborhood groups to provide a thorough presentation regarding  
13 the problem; her tenacity and ability to bring people together in a  
14 short period of time allowed for consensus building and cooperation  
15 in seeking potential solutions to the situation; and

16           WHEREAS, Ms. Reidy had no previous public sector experience,  
17 but her efforts led to the establishment of a Texas Department of  
18 Transportation pilot program aimed at alleviating the problem; as  
19 part of that initiative, the Center for Transportation Research,  
20 working in conjunction with TxDOT, will apply noise-reducing  
21 materials to Interstate 30 between Sylvan Avenue and Hampton Road  
22 in Dallas and monitor the results; if the pilot program provides  
23 acceptable noise reduction, it may provide a valuable new  
24 alternative that may be applicable to other locations around the

1 state; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
3 Legislature hereby commend Sara Reidy for her contributions as a  
4 community advocate and commend her for the positive change she has  
5 helped realize by fostering collaboration among her fellow  
6 citizens; and, be it further

7           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for Ms. Reidy as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
9 House of Representatives.