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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Students at Grandview Hills Elementary School in
- 2 Austin participated in the Pennies for Peace charitable initiative
- 3 from February 14 through March 4, 2011; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Pennies for Peace is an international
- 5 service-learning program that gives children in impoverished
- 6 countries access to education while helping students in the U.S.
- 7 and other developed nations to become more engaged global citizens;
- 8 by collecting pennies for children their age in Pakistan and
- 9 Afghanistan, students learn the rewards of sharing and working
- 10 together to bring hope and educational opportunities to young
- 11 people in other parts of the world; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Grandview Hills Elementary first took part in the
- 13 Pennies for Peace campaign in the spring of 2009, raising more than
- 14 \$1,000 in pennies; the donation paid for an area teacher's salary
- 15 for one year, as well as for five students' school supplies, a
- 16 scholarship, two sewing machines and materials, and more than 400
- 17 pencils; kindergarteners through fifth-grade students saved spare
- 18 change and held bake sales to raise funds; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Ably led by principal Brenda Cruz, Grandview Hills
- 20 further prepares its students for today's global society by
- 21 offering the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme,
- 22 and it is the first elementary school in the Leander Independent
- 23 School District to do so; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Through their involvement in Pennies for Peace,

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- 1 Grandview Hills students are gaining a greater understanding of
- 2 other cultures and economic disparities around the world, and they
- 3 are helping to make a difference in many young lives; now,
- 4 therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby honor the students of Grandview Hills Elementary
- 7 School for their participation in the Pennies for Peace initiative
- 8 and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and,
- 9 be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 12 House of Representatives.

Howard of Travis

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1370 was adopted by the House on April 28, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House