

H.R. No. 1512

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Native Texan Wendy Kopp has made a significant  
2 contribution to public education as the founder and CEO of Teach For  
3 America; and

4 WHEREAS, A graduate of Highland Park High School in Dallas,  
5 Ms. Kopp earned her bachelor's degree from Princeton University in  
6 1989; for her undergraduate thesis, she proposed the creation of a  
7 program that would allow top college students to make a positive  
8 difference in the world by teaching in economically disadvantaged  
9 schools; she went on to make that vision a reality by founding Teach  
10 For America in 1990; as a 21-year-old, this remarkable Texan raised  
11 \$2.5 million in start-up funding, hired a staff, and recruited 500  
12 men and women from across the country who shared her vision; and

13 WHEREAS, Today, under Ms. Kopp's able guidance, Teach For  
14 America benefits more than 500,000 students; currently, the  
15 organization recruits, trains, and employs 8,000 teachers who serve  
16 in 39 regions across the country; these recent college graduates  
17 and professionals commit to two years of service in urban and rural  
18 schools in low-income communities, and in Texas, their  
19 contributions are bolstering student achievement in the Rio Grande  
20 Valley, Houston, Dallas, and San Antonio; and

21 WHEREAS, With passion and determination, Wendy Kopp has  
22 dedicated more than two decades to improving public education, and  
23 in so doing, she is helping to transform the lives of countless  
24 young men and women across the state and nation; now, therefore, be

1 it

2       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
3 Legislature hereby commend Wendy Kopp for her exceptional social  
4 entrepreneurship and extend to her sincere best wishes for  
5 continued success with her important work in behalf of educational  
6 equity and excellence; and, be it further

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

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Villarreal  
Eissler  
Branch  
Gonzales of Hidalgo

Straus	Gonzales of Williamson	Morrison
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Bonnen	Hilderbran	Perry
Branch	Hochberg	Phillips
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Dutton	Lozano	Thompson
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Elkins	Madden	Turner
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Farrar	Margo	Villarreal
Fletcher	Marquez	Vo
Flynn	Martinez	Walle
Frullo	Martinez Fischer	Weber
Gallego	McClendon	White
Garza	Menendez	Woolley
Geren	Miles	Workman
Giddings	Miller of Comal	Zedler
Gonzales of Hidalgo	Miller of Erath	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1512 was adopted by the House on May 4, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House