

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 767

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to congratulate Jenny Grow on receiving the 2011 Teacher of the Year Award from Communities In Schools of Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, Communities In Schools is part of a nationwide program whose mission is to help young people stay in school, learn, and prepare for a successful life by providing school-based social services and links to community resources; and

**WHEREAS**, Communities In Schools recognizes that effective dropout prevention must be a community effort; the Communities In Schools state office annually honors outstanding Texans from different areas of service for their commitment to students and families, the community at large, and the Communities In Schools program; and

**WHEREAS**, A resourceful and talented teacher at Lamar Middle School in the Austin Independent School District, Jenny Grow goes the extra mile in her efforts to help students succeed; she participates in Communities In Schools' University of Texas Student Engineers Educating Kids program, through which students at her school receive one-on-one Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills tutoring, and she engages her classes with innovative methods and adapts her teaching style to best meet the needs of each student; and

**WHEREAS**, As an award winner, Jenny Grow is being honored for her exemplary efforts to reduce dropout rates and help students prepare for a better future; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Jenny Grow on her dedication to the needs of at-risk students and congratulate her on being named Communities In Schools 2011 Teacher of the Year; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 13, 2011.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate