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H.R. No. 1115

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Harlee Lanier, a student at Judson Early College
2 Academy in Live Oak, qualified to compete in the state final of the
3 Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Contest; and

4 WHEREAS, Sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts and
5 the Poetry Foundation, the Poetry Out Loud contest encourages
6 students to master public speaking skills, build self-confidence,
7 and learn about their literary heritage by memorizing and reciting
8 poetry; the competition has grown every year since its inception in
9 2006, and more than 365,000 young people participated in it in
10 2011-2012; and

11 WHEREAS, Ms. Lanier was one of only 18 Texas students who
12 earned the privilege to compete for the state title; the event,
13 hosted by the Texas Commission on the Arts, took place on February
14 23, 2013, at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin and
15 was hosted by award-winning poet Naomi Shihab Nye; and

16 WHEREAS, In her advancement to the state level of Poetry Out
17 Loud, Harlee Lanier demonstrated talent, poise, and exceptional
18 dedication, and she may indeed reflect with pride on her notable
19 accomplishment; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
21 Legislature hereby congratulate Harlee Lanier on her participation
22 in the state final of the Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation
23 Contest and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued
24 success; and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for Ms. Lanier as an expression of high regard by the Texas
3 House of Representatives.