## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Micah Pinson of Shady Shores has been named one of the top two youth volunteers in Texas by the 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program; and

WHEREAS, Sponsored by Prudential Financial and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the Spirit of Community Awards honor young people in middle school and high school who demonstrate an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; this year, more than 31,000 teens from across the nation were considered for recognition; and

WHEREAS, A seventh grader at Corinth Classical Academy, Micah was born with a physical anomaly that required two surgeries on his left hand, and he received free, expert care from the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas; in gratitude for the treatment, he has conducted an annual holiday toy drive for the hospital's patients for the past five years; and

WHEREAS, Each holiday season, Micah, his family, and student volunteers solicit donations door-to-door and place collection boxes at local businesses and other locations, gathering items to be delivered to the hospital a few days before Christmas; so far, he has distributed more than 15,000 toys and games to grateful young patients; and

WHEREAS, Micah Pinson has set an inspiring example of compassion and initiative, and he is to be commended for his exceptional efforts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Micah Pinson on his selection as one of the top two youth volunteers in Texas by the 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Micah as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

