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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Alex Graves, Tex Mitchell IV, Aaron Walls, and Jake
- 2 Yepez of Boy Scout Troop No. 410 in Austin took decisive action on
- 3 July 23, 2016, that helped save the life of their troop leader; and
- WHEREAS, On that afternoon, the scouts were participating in
- 5 a sailing race on Lake Belton when their troop leader, Tex Mitchell
- 6 III, suddenly became weak and unable to control the boat; believing
- 7 he was suffering from heatstroke, the boys, who were all between the
- 8 ages of 11 and 14, drew on their knowledge of first-aid procedures,
- 9 shielding him from the sun and cooling him with water; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Despite minimal sailing experience, the scouts
- 11 worked together in the moment of crisis to maneuver their 24-foot
- 12 keelboat safely back to the marina; Mr. Mitchell was rushed to a
- 13 local hospital, and after receiving treatment for a severe heart
- 14 attack, he was able to make a full recovery; and
- WHEREAS, The calm and swift response of these fine young
- 16 Texans played a vital role in averting a potential tragedy, and they
- 17 have exemplified the highest ideals of the scouting movement; now,
- 18 therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 20 Legislature hereby commend Alex Graves, Tex Mitchell IV, Aaron
- 21 Walls, and Jake Yepez of Boy Scout Troop No. 410 for their
- 22 lifesaving actions on July 23, 2016, and extend to them sincere best
- 23 wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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- 1 prepared for the Scouts as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 2 House of Representatives.