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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In an effort to raise funds for childhood cancer  
2 research, State Representative Pat Fallon took part in the World  
3 Marathon Challenge January 23 to 30, 2016; and

4 WHEREAS, A true test of endurance, the annual World Marathon  
5 Challenge requires participants to complete seven marathons on  
6 seven continents in seven days; the 2016 event led runners on an  
7 exhausting 30,000-mile trip around the globe that began with a race  
8 in Union Glacier, Antarctica, and went on to include marathons in  
9 Chile, Spain, Morocco, the United Arab Emirates, Australia, and  
10 Florida; and

11 WHEREAS, Despite having never run a marathon before embarking  
12 on the first leg of the journey, Representative Fallon was inspired  
13 to tackle this grueling feat as a tribute to Jonny Wade, an  
14 eight-year-old boy from Illinois who tragically passed away in 2015  
15 following a courageous battle with brain cancer; because  
16 Representative Fallon covered all of the expenses he incurred while  
17 participating in the marathon, he was able to donate \$77,777 to the  
18 Pediatric Cancer Foundation in Jonny's honor; and

19 WHEREAS, By finishing the World Marathon Challenge,  
20 Representative Pat Fallon not only earned his place among an elite  
21 group of athletes but also brought increased awareness to an  
22 important cause, and he may indeed take justifiable pride in these  
23 admirable achievements; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate State Representative Pat Fallon on  
2 his completion of the 2016 World Marathon Challenge and commend him  
3 for his outstanding fund-raising work in behalf of pediatric cancer  
4 research; and, be it further

5       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for Representative Fallon as an expression of high regard  
7 by the Texas House of Representatives.