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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Vanguard College Preparatory School in Waco celebrated Emma's Day, its annual day of volunteering, on April 12, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Every spring, the tradition inspires around 200 students in grades 7 through 12 to devote half a day to serving the community; originally known as Viking Volunteer Day, it was renamed to honor the memory of a student, Emma Welter, who lost her life in a vehicle accident while on her way to participate in the event on February 9, 2000; and

WHEREAS, This year, Vanguard students volunteered at 17 locations across the city of Waco, ranging from Mission Waco to Habitat for Humanity to the Cameron Park Zoo; the event is designed to help young people build character, learn about areas of need in their community, and develop a sense of civic responsibility; and

WHEREAS, By mobilizing Vanguard students to get involved, Emma's Day has helped support a host of worthy causes, while also providing its participants with valuable skills and experiences that will serve them well throughout their lives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby commend the students of Vanguard College Preparatory School for their involvement in Emma's Day 2019 and extend to them sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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