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H.R. No. 1483

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Wenter Blair Anderson of Ponder has worked
2 tirelessly to raise awareness about the genetic cardiovascular
3 disorder known as Familial Hypercholesterolemia (FH); and

4 WHEREAS, A life-threatening hereditary condition, Familial
5 Hypercholesterolemia causes high levels of LDL cholesterol, and if
6 left untreated, increases the risk of heart attacks and
7 cardiovascular disease; it is estimated that 1 in 250 people
8 worldwide and 1.3 million Americans suffer from FH, though less
9 than 10 percent of those affected are ever diagnosed prior to an
10 unexpected heart attack or stroke in early adulthood; and

11 WHEREAS, Since learning that she and her son both tested
12 positive for FH, Wenter Blair Anderson has dedicated herself to
13 educating the public about the disorder; she has advocated for
14 legislation that would require all incoming third and fourth
15 graders in Texas to have a lipid panel to screen for FH, and she has
16 been invited to speak at a number of medical conferences, including
17 the first global symposium for pediatric and adolescent FH in
18 Athens, Greece, and the Go Red Luncheons in Dallas and Colorado
19 Springs, Colorado; furthermore, she is a founding board member and
20 former vice president of the FH Foundation, and she also serves on
21 the National Lipid Association Foundation Board of Directors and
22 has served on the American Heart Association Texas Legislative
23 Advisory Board; and

24 WHEREAS, Public awareness is a crucial tool in helping to

1 ensure that more cases of FH are diagnosed and treated as early as
2 possible, and Wenter Blair Anderson is indeed worthy of recognition
3 for her efforts to address this serious medical condition; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
6 Legislature hereby commend Wenter Blair Anderson for raising
7 awareness about Familial Hypercholesterolemia and extend to her
8 sincere best wishes for continued success with her important work;
9 and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Ms. Anderson as an expression of high regard by the
12 Texas House of Representatives.