

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13

**WHEREAS**, A number of outstanding Texas organizations are working together to raise awareness of the importance of out-of-school initiatives for students, and it is indeed fitting to acknowledge their endeavors as they gather in Austin on January 15, 2019, for Expanded Learning Opportunities Day at the State Capitol; and

**WHEREAS**, The Texas Partnership for Out of School Time is a statewide network of nonprofit, public, and private sector groups dedicated to providing K-12 students with a wide selection of before-school, after-school, and summer-break activities; its sweeping list of providers ranges from such nationally recognized organizations as the YMCA and Boys & Girls Clubs to local service and faith-based organizations and municipal programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Expanded Learning Opportunities initiatives give youths, many of whom are otherwise unsupervised after school hours, a safe and supportive environment where they can engage in science, technology, engineering, and math education, performing and fine arts, health and nutrition programs, physical activity, and character building; participation in these activities has been shown to improve grades, test scores, attendance, behavior, and grade promotion; and

**WHEREAS**, Expanded Learning Opportunities programs have helped countless young Texans to aspire to the highest level of personal development and have enhanced the quality of life in communities across the state, and those who devote their time and energy to these goals are deserving of our deep respect and appreciation; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby recognize January 15, 2019, as Expanded Learning Opportunities Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those participating sincere best wishes for the future.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the  
above Resolution was adopted by  
the Senate on January 16, 2019.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate