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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Dallas-based education nonprofit United to 2 Learn displayed remarkable initiative and compassion with its 3 support of the Dallas Independent School District during the 4 COVID-19 pandemic; and

5 WHEREAS, When the pandemic caused the closure of Dallas ISD 6 campuses, United to Learn distributed thousands of books for 7 children to create home libraries, and it also underwrote the cost 8 of video equipment and stipends to teachers looking to extend 9 summer learning; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 2012, United to Learn mobilizes volunteers from public and private schools, faith-based organizations, and businesses to partner with Dallas ISD, and their work is directed by the group's four pillars; these include strengthening social and emotional health, creating aspirational learning environments, accelerating student achievement in literacy, and activating an informed community; and

WHEREAS, United to Learn's first 27 partner schools have seen a 39 percent improvement in literacy, outpacing county and state averages, and the program has since expanded to 47 Dallas elementary schools, addressing opportunity gaps with research-driven, district-aligned programming; and

22 WHEREAS, During a time of crisis, when the education of many 23 children was interrupted, United to Learn provided valuable 24 resources and encouragement, building on its already impressive

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1 record of inspiring lasting change for students in the Dallas area;
2 now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby commend United to Learn for its support of the Dallas Independent School District during the COVID-19 pandemic and extend to all those associated with the nonprofit sincere best wishes for continued success in their important work; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 10 prepared for United to Learn as an expression of high regard by the 11 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1390 was adopted by the House on May 26, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House