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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
- 10 WHEREAS, Founded in 2012, United to Learn mobilizes
- 11 volunteers from public and private schools, faith-based
- 12 organizations, and businesses to partner with Dallas ISD, and their
- 13 work is directed by the group's four pillars; these include
- 14 strengthening social and emotional health, creating aspirational
- 15 learning environments, accelerating student achievement in
- 16 literacy, and activating an informed community; and
- WHEREAS, United to Learn's first 27 partner schools have seen
- 18 a 39 percent improvement in literacy, outpacing county and state
- 19 averages, and the program has since expanded to 47 Dallas
- 20 elementary schools, addressing opportunity gaps with
- 21 research-driven, district-aligned programming; and
- 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
- 3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 4 Legislature hereby commend United to Learn for its support of the
- 5 Dallas Independent School District during the COVID-19 pandemic and
- 6 extend to all those associated with the nonprofit sincere best
- 7 wishes for continued success in their important work; and, be it
- 8 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.