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H.R. No. 1370

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jessica Scheer of Texas City has distinguished
2 herself as a member of the Texas Partners in Policymaking Class of
3 2025; and

4 WHEREAS, Organized by the Texas Council for Developmental
5 Disabilities, Texas Partners in Policymaking is a leadership
6 training program designed to empower adults with developmental
7 disabilities and their families as advocates for policy change;
8 over the course of seven months, participants learn about
9 disability history, systems, and policy while meeting with a
10 variety of subject matter experts; many graduates have gone on to
11 serve on various boards, councils, task forces, and advisory
12 committees, and some have run for public office; and

13 WHEREAS, As part of the program, Ms. Scheer created a
14 capstone project dedicated to addressing the shortage of available
15 personal care attendants by advocating for increased compensation
16 and training for these professionals; by collaborating with local
17 families, committees, and organizations, she is working toward the
18 goal of making changes that benefit all individuals with
19 disabilities; and

20 WHEREAS, A mother of two sons, one of whom is autistic,
21 Ms. Scheer first became involved in advocacy in 2005 after
22 recognizing the challenges that her own son faced; in addition to
23 serving on the Round Rock Independent School District Special
24 Education Parents Advisory Council, she is a Texas Parent to Parent

1 advocate and participates in The University of Texas autism
2 program; and

3 WHEREAS, By taking part in the Texas Partners in Policymaking
4 program, Jessica Scheer has developed the knowledge and skills
5 necessary to effect positive change in her community and beyond,
6 and it is a pleasure to join in recognizing her for this notable
7 accomplishment; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
9 Legislature hereby congratulate Jessica Scheer on graduating as a
10 member of the Texas Partners in Policymaking Class of 2025 and
11 extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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