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HR 1037

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 CONGRATULATING EMILY RICHEY AS A RECIPIENT OF A
9 PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARD.

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12 **Subtitle**

13 CONGRATULATING EMILY RICHEY AS A
14 RECIPIENT OF A PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF
15 COMMUNITY AWARD.

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18 WHEREAS, Emily Richey, an esteemed resident of Paris, Arkansas, and a
19 senior at Paris High School, has achieved national recognition for exemplary
20 volunteer service by receiving a 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Award;
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23 WHEREAS, this prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial,
24 Inc., in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School
25 Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an
26 extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

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28 WHEREAS, Miss Richey was nominated by Paris High School in Paris,
29 Arkansas; and

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31 WHEREAS, Miss Richey earned this award by generously giving her time to
32 provide care and nurture for the elderly population in her area; and

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34 WHEREAS, Miss Richey realized that children were often the area of
35 focus for volunteer work, while the elderly population is often neglected;
36 and she discovered through her own great-grandmother and through research



1 that doll therapy has been shown to help dementia patients by triggering in
2 them a sense of love, connection, and calm; and

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4 WHEREAS, by creating a nonprofit organization, persuading her Future
5 Business Leaders of America chapter at school to take on this initiative, and
6 raising more than \$13,000 to provide nearly 150 special dolls and stuffed
7 animals to dementia patients in 8 nursing homes, Miss Richey has greatly
8 impacted her community; and

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10 WHEREAS, the success of the State of Arkansas, the strength of our
11 communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great
12 measure, upon the dedication of young people like Miss Richey who use their
13 considerable talents and resources to serve others,

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15 NOW THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIRST GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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19 THAT the House of Representatives congratulate and honor Emily Richey
20 as a recipient of a Prudential Spirit of Community Award and recognize her
21 outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and community
22 spirit.

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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon its adoption, a copy of this resolution be
25 presented to Emily Richey by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.