Becoming an Advocate: Sophie tells her story in front of the Texas Congress.

Sophie: In third grade, we went up to Austin to go fight the law that said that the parents wouldn’t be informed that they had a choice between American Sign Language and Listening and Spoken Language. We spoke to the Congress. I told basically the story of my life. Like, how I was born and the doctor said I was never going to speak. How I got hearing aids at four months, how I’ve learned to talk, and how I’ve been a role model for other children and given parents hope. And how we wanted the other babies to have a choice. We were successful because the law was not made. I felt honored, and I was very grateful about it.