

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 12th annual Austin Capitol Congressional Debate
2 Tournament is taking place at the State Capitol on November 30,
3 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, Sponsored by State Representative Rafael Anchía,
5 the tournament provides more than 200 high school students from
6 across Texas with the opportunity to showcase their public speaking
7 and debate skills; participants are divided into three sections,
8 novice, house, and senate, and they assume the role of lawmakers
9 while debating mock legislation written by fellow students; each
10 finalist will receive a medal, and the top competitors will be
11 awarded gavels; and

12 WHEREAS, This year's tournament has benefited from the able
13 leadership of its directors, Donna Szumila of THEO Christian
14 Solution, Inc., and Brian Alford of A&M Consolidated High School,
15 as well as its liaisons, Gus A. and Amelia S. Perez; and

16 WHEREAS, The Austin Capitol Congressional Debate Tournament
17 is equipping young Texans with valuable skills and experiences
18 while helping to prepare the next generation of leaders, and it is a
19 pleasure to join in recognizing all those involved in this
20 noteworthy competition; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
22 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby commemorate the 12th annual
23 Austin Capitol Congressional Debate Tournament and extend to the
24 organizers and participants sincere best wishes for a successful

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1 and memorable event.

Anchía

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 88 was adopted by the House on
December 5, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House