

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Oil Belt Little League All-Stars achieved great
2 distinction by winning the U.S. championship and advancing to the
3 world championship game at the 2022 Junior League Baseball World
4 Series, held in August in Taylor, Michigan; and

5 WHEREAS, A group of talented 14-and-under ballplayers from
6 the Corpus Christi area, the All-Stars embarked on their journey to
7 the U.S. title with a dominant performance at the Southwest Region
8 Tournament in Albuquerque, New Mexico; the Oil Belt players
9 outscored their opponents by a three-game total of 55-8 to win the
10 tournament and claim the ballclub's first appearance in the Junior
11 League World Series since 2014; and

12 WHEREAS, In their opening world series contest on August 15,
13 the All-Stars hit two home runs and scored eight runs in the first
14 two innings before going on to a 13-1 victory over Hawaii; taking
15 the field in the next round against the East representatives from
16 Keystone Little League in Pennsylvania, Oil Belt collected seven
17 runs in the fifth inning for a 10-3 win and a berth in the
18 U.S. championship game; that contest turned out to be a rematch
19 against Keystone on August 20, and the Oil Belt squad held the lead
20 from the first inning on, triumphing 12-4 for the national crown;
21 the team then faced the Chinese Taipei squad on August 21 for the
22 world championship; the All-Stars turned in a valiant effort in the
23 game but ultimately finished as runner-up; and

24 WHEREAS, Excelling with a true team effort, the All-Stars

1 benefited from the valuable contributions made by each member of
2 the roster: Dallin DeBellas, Aiden Flores, Drayton Mitchell, Danny
3 Acuña, Jaden Martinez, Collier Carroll, Jace Arriaga, Reese Rusher,
4 Samuel Cecava, Jagger Batek, Lucas Saenz, Zaccariah Morales, and
5 Blake Quinn; these determined athletes were ably guided by manager
6 Daniel Saenz and coaches Nathan Mitchell and Brendon Saenz; and

7 WHEREAS, The members of the Oil Belt Little League All-Stars
8 proudly represented their city and state in one of the premier
9 showcases for youth athletics, and they will treasure their
10 memories of this achievement for many years to come; now,
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
13 Legislature hereby congratulate the Oil Belt All-Stars on winning
14 the U.S. Championship at the 2022 Junior League Baseball World
15 Series and extend to the team's players and coaches sincere best
16 wishes for the future; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas
19 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 182

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 182 was adopted by the House on March 8, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House