## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Bellaire High School in the Houston Independent

School District received the AP Computer Science Female Diversity

3 Award from College Board; and

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WHEREAS, College Board is a national nonprofit organization

dedicated to promoting excellence and equity in education, and it

6 also administers a number of college readiness and success

7 programs, including the Advanced Placement Program; the AP Computer

8 Science Female Diversity Award honors schools that have achieved

9 either 50 percent or higher representation of female exam takers in

10 one or both AP computer science courses, or a percentage of female

11 exam takers that meets or exceeds that of the school's female

12 population; of the 20,000 institutions that offer AP courses, fewer

13 than 1,200 schools nationwide reached that worthy goal; and

14 WHEREAS, Historically, female students have remained

15 underrepresented in computer science classes, and according to the

16 National Girls Collaborative Project, women represent just 26

17 percent of professionals in the fields of computer and mathematical

18 sciences today; and

19 WHEREAS, Providing female students with access to computer

20 science courses is vital to ensuring gender parity within the

21 industry, and the AP Computer Science program at Bellaire High

22 School is empowering young women to build an even brighter future as

23 they work to become the next generation of STEM and computer science

24 professionals; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby congratulate Bellaire High School on its receipt
- 3 of the AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award from College
- 4 Board and extend to all those associated with the school sincere
- 5 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 8 House of Representatives.

A. Johnson of Harris

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2038 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House