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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Bellaire High School in the Houston Independent  
2 School District received the AP Computer Science Female Diversity  
3 Award from College Board; and

4 WHEREAS, College Board is a national nonprofit organization  
5 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.