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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Sam Bennett of Texas A&M University added to his
- 2 impressive list of achievements with an unforgettable performance
- 3 at the 2023 Masters golf tournament; and
- WHEREAS, A fifth-year senior for the Aggies' golf team,
- 5 Mr. Bennett secured a spot in the Masters field as the reigning U.S.
- 6 Amateur champion; demonstrating power and finesse, he hit
- 7 93 percent of the fairways over the first two days of play, firing
- 8 back-to-back rounds of 68 on the challenging course at the Augusta
- 9 National Golf Club in Georgia; he finished tied for 16th place
- 10 overall, earning low amateur honors, and on Sunday, April 9, while
- 11 completing his fourth and final round, he experienced the thrill of
- 12 receiving a standing ovation as he walked the fairway to the 18th
- 13 green; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mr. Bennett first gained acclaim at Madisonville
- 15 High School, where he won the 2016 4A state golf championship and
- 16 was the 2017 4A silver medalist; moreover, he claimed a runner-up
- 17 finish at the 2015 Texas State Junior Championship; and
- WHEREAS, Since joining the Texas A&M men's golf squad for the
- 19 2018-2019 season, Mr. Bennett has continued his run of success; he
- 20 was named to the Southeastern Conference All-Freshman Team, and he
- 21 is a two-time First Team All-American and All Central-Region pick;
- 22 during the 2021-2022 season, he competed in 10 tournaments,
- 23 breaking the school record for lowest stroke average at 69.97,
- 24 while collecting SEC Golfer of the Year honors; moreover, he made

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- 1 the Team USA roster for the 2022 Arnold Palmer Cup and was a
- 2 finalist for the Ben Hogan and Fred Haskins Awards in addition to
- 3 claiming his U.S. Amateur championship in August 2022; and
- WHEREAS, With his remarkable showing at the 2023 Masters, Sam
- 5 Bennett has proven himself one of the most promising young players
- 6 in the sport of golf, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his
- 7 many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 9 Legislature hereby congratulate Sam Bennett on winning low amateur
- 10 honors at the 2023 Masters golf tournament and extend to him sincere
- 11 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 13 prepared for Mr. Bennett as an expression of high regard by the
- 14 Texas House of Representatives.