

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Rice University Owls baseball team captured the  
2 2003 College World Series title, earning the university its first  
3 national team championship; and

4           WHEREAS, The Owls defeated perennial powerhouse Stanford  
5 14-2 in the deciding game of the series, thanks in part to a clutch  
6 performance by sophomore starting pitcher Philip Humber; the team  
7 finished the season with a remarkable 58-12 record and has all the  
8 makings of a college baseball dynasty; and

9           WHEREAS, Under the able guidance of head coach Wayne Graham,  
10 the Owls demonstrated a commitment to excellence throughout the  
11 season; recognition is also due to assistant coaches Mike Taylor,  
12 David Pierce, and Zane Curry, as well as director of baseball  
13 operations Kim McDougall, assistant director for strength and  
14 conditioning Monte Curtis, and athletic trainer David Key; and

15           WHEREAS, Team members include Sean Hirsch, Matt Emerson, Matt  
16 Cavanaugh, Jeff Jorgensen, Drew Skaggs, Chris Kolkhorst, Marcos  
17 Ramos, Austin Davis, Lance Pendleton, Paul Janish, Jeff Blackinton,  
18 Enrique Cruz, David Aardsma, Matt Moake, Dane Bubela, Justin  
19 Farris, Justin Ruchti, Josh Baker, Philip Humber, Matt Ueckert,  
20 Craig Stansberry, Colin Matheny, Vincent Sinisi, Jon Gillespie,  
21 Wade Townsend, Jeff Niemann, Steven Herce, and Lyndon Duplessis;  
22 and

23           WHEREAS, These exemplary student-athletes can take great  
24 pride in their accomplishments during this exceptional season;

1 their dedication to teamwork and sportsmanship is truly  
2 commendable, and the memory of winning a national championship will  
3 undoubtedly remain with them always; now, therefore, be it

4       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
5 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Coach Wayne  
6 Graham and the Rice Owls baseball team on winning the 2003 College  
7 World Series and extend best wishes to the many individuals who  
8 contributed to this accomplishment; and, be it further

9       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
10 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
11 House of Representatives.

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Allen	Giddings	Merritt
Alonzo	Goodman	Miller
Bailey	Goolsby	Moreno of Harris
Baxter	Griggs	Moreno of El Paso
Berman	Grusendorf	Morrison
Bohac	Guillen	Mowery
Bonnen	Gutierrez	Naishtat
Branch	Haggerty	Nixon
Brown of Kaufman	Hamilton	Noriega
Brown of Brazos	Hamric	Oliveira
Burnam	Hardcastle	Olivo
Callegari	Harper-Brown	Paxton
Campbell	Hartnett	Pena
Canales	Heflin	Phillips
Capelo	Hegar	Pickett
Casteel	Hilderbran	Pitts
Castro	Hill	Puente
Chavez	Hochberg	Quintanilla
Chisum	Hodge	Raymond
Christian	Homer	Reyna
Coleman	Hope	Riddle
Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Ritter
Cook of Colorado	Howard	Rodriguez
Corte	Hughes	Rose
Crabb	Hunter	Seaman
Crownover	Hupp	Smith of Tarrant
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Davis of Dallas	Jones of Lubbock	Smithee
Dawson	Jones of Bexar	Solis
Delisi	Jones of Dallas	Solomons
Denny	Keel	Stick
Deshotel	Keffer of Dallas	Swinford
Driver	Keffer of Eastland	Talton
Dukes	King	Taylor
Dunnam	Kolkhorst	Telford
Dutton	Krusee	Thompson
Edwards	Kuempel	Truitt
Eiland	Laney	Turner
Eissler	Laubenberg	Uresti
Elkins	Lewis	Van Arsdale
Ellis	Luna	Villarreal
Escobar	Mabry	West
Farabee	Madden	Wilson
Farrar	Marchant	Wise
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Wohlgemuth
Flynn	McCall	Wolens
Gallego	McClendon	Wong
Garza	McReynolds	Woolley
Gattis	Menendez	Zedler

H.R. No. 16

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 16 was adopted by the House on July 18, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House