R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, The Science Academy of South Texas in Mercedes has
2   been selected by *Newsweek* magazine as the eighth best school in the
3   United States, and this prestigious honor is truly well deserved;
4   and

5   WHEREAS, Among the top 700 schools ranked by the magazine,
6   the Science Academy is one of only a few with a predominantly
7   minority population and is the only top 10 school with a majority of
8   Hispanic students; and

9   WHEREAS, The rating method used by *Newsweek* employed a
10   formula dividing the number of college credit tests by the number of
11   graduating seniors, and during the past year, 196 of the academy's
12   young scholars signed up for 468 such examinations; and

13   WHEREAS, All those associated with this exceptional
14   institution are united in their commitment to ensuring the finest
15   possible education for its students, and their efforts in this
16   regard indeed merit special legislative recognition; now,
17   therefore, be it

18   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
19   Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate the faculty,
20   administration, staff, and students of the Science Academy of South
21   Texas on the school's top 10 national ranking by *Newsweek* magazine
22   and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and,
23   be it further

24   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

1   prepared for the Science Academy of South Texas as an expression of

2   high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 33 was adopted by the House on July 18, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House