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H.C.R. No. 23

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Thomas Gregory Umstattd, Jr., has successfully  
2 completed 12 years of home-schooling, and 2004 marks his high  
3 school graduation and the beginning of many new opportunities for  
4 this noteworthy young Texan; and

5           WHEREAS, Mr. Umstattd has demonstrated excellence in  
6 numerous academic and extracurricular endeavors, including music,  
7 debate, athletics, and computer science; his efforts have earned  
8 him a \$16,000 President's Scholarship from the University of Mary  
9 Hardin-Baylor, where he will pursue a degree in communications with  
10 a minor in business; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Umstattd is active with the Hope Chapel Youth  
12 Group and has participated in several overseas missions; he has  
13 traveled to Mexico, Turkey, Russia, and Western Europe, spreading  
14 the message of compassion and faith that guides and inspires him;  
15 and

16           WHEREAS, This talented teen recently placed first in  
17 impromptu speaking at the Texas Home School Debate Tournament and  
18 he will represent the State of Texas this June at the National  
19 Christian Forensics and Communications Association's National  
20 Debate Tournament in Lynchburg, Virginia; and

21           WHEREAS, Mr. Umstattd is the recipient of the Texas Home  
22 School Coalition's Ranger Award, which he received for volunteering  
23 with campaigns of candidates for public office; he is also a master  
24 singer with the Christian Choral Society of Austin, which he serves

1 as president; and

2 WHEREAS, Devout Christian, talented singer, and entrepreneur  
3 are just a few of the descriptions that can be applied to Thomas  
4 Gregory Umstattd, Jr.; he is also a sports lover, a master debater,  
5 and a devoted son, and his success in these many roles is a source of  
6 great pride to his parents, Tom and Ginger Umstattd, and to his  
7 other family members and many friends; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas,  
9 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate Thomas Gregory Umstattd,  
10 Jr., on his high school graduation and commend him for his many  
11 achievements; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for Mr. Umstattd as an expression of high regard by the  
14 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.