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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 2003-2004 chess team from The University of
2 Texas at Dallas (UTD) captured first place at the prestigious 49th
3 Pan American Intercollegiate Team Chess Championship, and this
4 outstanding achievement provides a perfect opportunity to honor the
5 myriad accomplishments of this exceptional group; and

6 WHEREAS, After tying for first place in 2000 and 2001, the UTD
7 chess team outwitted such formidable foes as the University of
8 Maryland, Baltimore County, Stanford University, and Brooklyn
9 College to secure the school's first-ever outright title at the Pan
10 American championship, which is held annually in December to
11 determine the best college team in North, South, and Central
12 America; and

13 WHEREAS, Originally coached by Dr. Tim Redman, director of
14 the UTD chess program, and now led by coach and international master
15 Rade Milovanovic, the UTD chess team has enjoyed remarkable success
16 over its eight-year history; and

17 WHEREAS, Members of the 2003-2004 UTD chess team include
18 grandmaster and team captain Marcin Kaminski; international
19 masters Dmitry Schneider, Magesh Chandran Panchanathan, and Amon
20 Simutowe, and FIDE masters Andrew Whatley, Andrei Zarembo, Dennis
21 Rylander, Daniel Fernandez, Michal Kujovic, and Ali Morshedi; and

22 WHEREAS, These exemplary chess players have also generously
23 donated their time and considerable talents to the Dallas
24 Independent School District (DISD), providing chess instruction

1 and assisting with UTD's first chess tournament for DISD high
2 school students; and

3 WHEREAS, The UTD chess team has demonstrated the requisite
4 mental toughness and competitive excellence necessary to succeed
5 not only in chess but also in the classroom, and it is most
6 appropriate to pay tribute to its worthy members at this time; now,
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
9 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby commend Coach Rade
10 Milovanovic and The University of Texas at Dallas chess team for
11 winning the Pan American Intercollegiate Team Chess Championship
12 and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and,
13 be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for Coach Milovanovic and the UTD team as an expression of
16 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.