

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Casey Nicole Conrad of Katy has been named a
2 state-level winner of the Patriot's Pen youth essay contest
3 sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and its Ladies
4 Auxiliary; and

5 WHEREAS, The West Memorial Junior High School eighth grader
6 won at her school and district-wide competitions before going on to
7 capture a third-place ranking at the state contest; and

8 WHEREAS, Each year, the patriotic-themed essay contest draws
9 tens of thousands of entries from sixth-, seventh-, and
10 eighth-grade students representing the 50 states, the District of
11 Columbia, and three overseas VFW Departments--Pacific Areas,
12 Europe, and Latin America/Caribbean; participants in the 2003-2004
13 competition created 300- to 400-word essays on the subject "My
14 Dream for America"; and

15 WHEREAS, Admired for her commitment to her academic career
16 and her wide array of extracurricular interests, Ms. Conrad serves
17 as student council historian and is an active member of the yearbook
18 staff and the National Junior Honor Society; moreover, this
19 outstanding young Texan devotes time and energy to speech and drama
20 activities as well as to her church's choir and youth group; and

21 WHEREAS, The remarkably thoughtful and articulate essay
22 composed by Ms. Conrad reflects great credit on this student, her
23 family, and her school, and it is indeed a pleasure to join in
24 honoring her at this time; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
2 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate Casey Nicole
3 Conrad on being named a state-level winner in the national
4 Patriot's Pen essay contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign
5 Wars and its Ladies Auxiliary and extend to her sincere best wishes
6 for success and happiness in all her future endeavors; and, be it
7 further

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

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H.R. No. 85

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 85 was adopted by the House on May 11, 2004, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House