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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, February 9-15, 2003, has been designated Career and 2 Technology Education Week in Texas, and it is important to 3 recognize this vital component of our public education curriculum; 4 and

WHEREAS, In the current year alone, nearly 800,000 students 5 6 will attend career and technology education courses in the Lone Star State; areas of study include agricultural science and 7 technology, business and marketing education, family and consumer 8 education, 9 sciences health science technology, technology education, and trade and industrial education; and 10

11 WHEREAS, Each of these program areas sponsors a youth 12 organization to teach young people the leadership and life skills 13 they will need to become productive and successful members of 14 society; today we welcome to the house chamber the statewide elected officials of each of these groups: Clay Turner of Alvin, 15 president of Business Professionals of America; David Shelton of 16 Pittsburg, president of Distributive Education Clubs of America; 17 Elda Arzate of El Paso, president of Future Business Leaders of 18 America; Robby Keffer of Eastland, president of Family Career and 19 Community Leaders of America; Kristi Farnum of White Deer, vice 20 21 president of Family Career and Community Leaders of America; 22 Lindsey Allen of Alvin, president of Future Farmers of America; 23 Dakota Blair of Gary, president of Technology Students Association; William McCormick of Raymondville, president of Health Occupations 24

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Students of America; Thomas Curtis of Wylie, president of Skills
USA, the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America; and Charel West of
Arlington, sergeant at arms of Skills USA, the Vocational
Industrial Clubs of America; and

5 WHEREAS, Career and technology education courses have a 6 proven track record of increasing academic performance, and with 7 their participation in this challenging and exciting course of 8 study, these outstanding student leaders and the peers they 9 represent surely have bright futures; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 11 Legislature hereby honor the delegates from career and technology 12 education and extend to them best wishes for continued success and 13 happiness; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared 15 for the delegates as an expression of high regard by the Texas House 16 of Representatives.

Keffer of Eastland

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 189 was adopted by the House on February 12, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House