

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Ru-Shan Gao of Houston has proven himself to be an
2 outstanding athlete and competitor and a fine example for all who
3 wish to lead healthy, active, and interesting lives; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Gao first joined the Senior Olympics in Houston
5 in 1999 and garnered a gold medal in doubles table tennis; winning
6 other medals in subsequent years, he eagerly looked forward to
7 competing at the 2002 Huntsman World Senior Games in St. George,
8 Utah; and

9 WHEREAS, When a technicality made him unable to participate
10 in the table tennis competition, this versatile gentleman entered
11 the contract bridge competition and won, becoming a national bridge
12 gold medalist at the age of 81; and

13 WHEREAS, The mark of a champion is the ability to overcome any
14 obstacle, and Mr. Gao, who is also a champion walker, has
15 demonstrated the determination, skill, and integrity to make him a
16 true winner as well as a source of great pride to the Lone Star
17 State; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
19 Legislature hereby congratulate Ru-Shan Gao on his competitive
20 achievements and extend to him warmest best wishes for continued
21 success; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for Mr. Gao as an expression of high regard by the Texas
24 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 519

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 519 was adopted by the House on April 25, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House