

By: Hunter

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, On March 11, 2003, Seventeen students from Abilene  
2 Christian University successfully finished a long-distance relay  
3 bike ride for charity; and

4           WHEREAS, These members of Gamma Sigma Phi, a local collegiate  
5 fraternity established in 1968 as Kinsmen, spent their spring break  
6 week completing a bike ride relay from Abilene to Pepperdine  
7 University in Malibu, California; and

8           WHEREAS, The seventeen men rode through the plains, desert,  
9 and mountains of the Southwestern Region of the United States  
10 relay-style to finish the 1,400-mile ride in three-and-one-half  
11 days from noon on Friday, March 7, to 1 A.M. on Tuesday, March 11,  
12 2003; and

13           WHEREAS, The purpose of the bike ride was to raise money for  
14 Habitat for Humanity to pay for a house in Abilene that the  
15 seventeen members had assisted in building; the total dollar amount  
16 raised through donations and sponsors from the bike ride was about  
17 \$5,000; and

18           WHEREAS, The members that accomplished this feat and deserve  
19 recognition are Jeremy Brewer, Mark Bruner, Andrew Culp, Mark  
20 Gibson, David Gilly, Jason Gipson, Ben Grant, Eric Hise, Chris  
21 Jacobs, Darin Love, Ian McDonald, Dustin McWilliams, Jonathan  
22 Moreland, John Mark Moudy, Jeffrey Rasco, Hayden Reid, and David  
23 Shaw; now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas

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1 hereby honor seventeen members of Gamma Sigma Phi from Abilene  
2 Christian University for their success in completing the 1,400-mile  
3 charitable bike ride to California benefitting Habitat for  
4 Humanity; and, be it further

5       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for the fraternity as an expression of high regard by the  
7 Texas House of Representatives.