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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Tim Duncan of the San Antonio Spurs has been named 2 the National Basketball Association's Most Valuable Player for the 3 second consecutive year, and he is to be commended for this 4 extraordinary accomplishment; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Duncan led the Spurs to a league-best 60-22 6 regular season record, averaging 23.3 points, 12.9 rebounds, 3.9 7 assists, and 2.92 blocks per game; he is the eighth player to win 8 the coveted award in consecutive seasons, joining such basketball 9 legends as Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson, Larry Bird, Moses Malone, 10 Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Wilt Chamberlain, and Bill Russell; and

11 WHEREAS, Born in St. Croix, Virgin Islands, Mr. Duncan 12 attended Wake Forest University, earning a degree in psychology and 13 establishing the Atlantic Coast Conference record for career 14 blocked shots; the first pick of the 1997 NBA draft, he was named 15 Rookie of the Year in 1998 and led the Spurs to the NBA title the 16 following year; and

WHEREAS, Known more for fundamentals than flash, Mr. Duncan has established himself as one of the league's elite players during his six seasons; he is a player who possesses the rare combination of superlative offensive skills and dominating defensive presence, and he remains a model of consistency on both ends of the court as well as a role model off it; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
 Legislature hereby congratulate Tim Duncan on being named 2003 NBA

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1 Most Valuable Player and extend to him and his teammates best wishes
2 for success in this year's playoffs; and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 4 prepared for Mr. Duncan as an expression of high regard by the Texas 5 House of Representatives.

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