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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, On May 24-25, 2003, the Allen Special Olympics  
2 volleyball team represented the Lone Star State in fine fashion in  
3 the Special Olympics Unified division of the USA Volleyball  
4 Championships in Minneapolis, Minnesota; and

5           WHEREAS, Throughout its history, the Special Olympics  
6 program has made significant contributions to the physical, social,  
7 and psychological development of people with special needs by  
8 providing them with an avenue for success through athletic  
9 competition; Special Olympics Unified teams combine the skills of  
10 Special Olympics athletes and "partners," who train and compete  
11 together; and

12           WHEREAS, One of only 10 Special Olympics Unified teams  
13 nationwide to participate in the volleyball championships, the  
14 Allen squad is composed of athletes Michael Jackson, Jakob Hines,  
15 Ryan Landry, and Amy Rosilier and partners Gerald Wine, Tom  
16 Jaconette, Paul Landry, and Austin Landry; providing outstanding  
17 support and instruction to this winning combination is head coach  
18 Lisa Grantham; and

19           WHEREAS, The exceptional character and determination of  
20 these talented athletes are a source of pride to all who know them,  
21 and their efforts are indeed worthy of legislative recognition at  
22 this time; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
24 Legislature hereby congratulate the Allen Special Olympics

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1 volleyball team on its selection to compete in the 2003 USA  
2 Volleyball Championships and extend to Coach Grantham and all the  
3 team members sincere best wishes for continued success and  
4 happiness; and, be it further

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