

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 617

**WHEREAS**, The Academic Decathlon team from Richard King High School in Corpus Christi participated in the Texas Academic Decathlon held February 28 through March 1, 2003, and team members deserve special recognition for their commitment to academic achievement; and

**WHEREAS**, The Academic Decathlon was created in 1968 to promote excellence in academics; students give speeches, are interviewed, write essays, and take tests in mathematics, social sciences, economics, language/literature, music, and art; each nine-member team is divided into Honors, Scholastic, and Varsity divisions, providing for a broad range of academic backgrounds; and

**WHEREAS**, Competing in the large school division, members of the Richard King High School team include Paul Benavides, Alexander Calloway, Albert "Scotty" Ellis, John Flores, Sara Garcia, Shari Harrison, Maritza Lozev, John Rosenkild, and William "Wes" Scogin; and

**WHEREAS**, The hard work and determination to excel demonstrated by all the members of the Richard King High School Academic Decathlon team are truly commendable, and it is most fitting that we honor them at this time; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby congratulate the members of the Richard King High School Academic Decathlon team on participating in the 2003 Texas Academic Decathlon state competition and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Richard King High School Academic Decathlon team as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 15, 2003.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate