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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jim Julian, a 71-year-old Houston resident, claimed
2 a gold medal in pole vaulting at the 2005 USA Masters Outdoor Track
3 and Field Championships in Hawaii, clearing 7 feet, 10-1/2 inches
4 in his final vault of the Men's 70-74 Division; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Julian began vaulting just six years ago, at the
6 age of 65, and since that time he has won numerous events on the
7 local and state levels; his achievements in pole vaulting are all
8 the more impressive given the fact that he overcame colon cancer in
9 his late 50s; and

10 WHEREAS, A veteran of the real estate business, Mr. Julian is
11 a three-time Texas Senior Olympics champion and has become a true
12 force in his sport; he has cleared heights up to 8 feet, 3 inches
13 during practice; and

14 WHEREAS, Jim Julian is a source of inspiration to his family
15 and friends, and his success in the pole vault demonstrates that for
16 those with talent and determination, athletic excellence knows no
17 age; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
19 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Jim Julian on
20 his gold medal win in the pole vault at the 2005 USA Masters Outdoor
21 Track and Field Championships and commend him for his numerous
22 accomplishments in his sport; and, be it further

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

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1 House of Representatives.