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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Michael Christopher Riemann of Del Rio, the high
2 school state champion power lifter in his weight class for two
3 consecutive years, has earned a place among the elite high school
4 power lifters of Texas; and

5 WHEREAS, Competing in the 123-pound class, Mr. Riemann won
6 his first title in 2005, his junior season, by lifting a total
7 combined weight of 1,075 pounds in the bench press, squat, and dead
8 lift; his performance in the 2006 state meet was even more
9 impressive, as he became repeat champion by hoisting a combined
10 weight of 1,110 pounds; and

11 WHEREAS, These outstanding performances have earned Mr.
12 Riemann a spot in the Texas High School Powerlifting Association
13 Hall of Fame, becoming the first athlete from Del Rio to receive
14 this honor; and

15 WHEREAS, On his birth on February 27, 1988, Mr. Riemann
16 weighed just 4 pounds, 5 ounces, and hardly seemed destined for
17 power-lifting glory; but through years of determined work, this
18 gritty competitor made himself into an accomplished athlete who
19 began playing in organized leagues while in the fourth grade; in
20 addition to power lifting, he has excelled in basketball, baseball,
21 golf, track, and football; deserving of particular attention are
22 his exploits on the gridiron, where he has been a defensive
23 sparkplug for the Del Rio High School Rams and was selected a team
24 captain and the most valuable player of the special teams; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Riemann finds inspiration for his achievements
2 in those around him, including his father, Mario Riemann, his
3 brother Danny and sister Erica Miranda, and his many coaches,
4 teachers, and teammates; most of all, he draws on the example of his
5 mother, Norma Castellanos Rodriguez, who has instilled in her son
6 the desire to compete and win; and

7 WHEREAS, In winning back-to-back state power-lifting titles,
8 Mr. Riemann has proved himself a young man of immense talent and
9 dedication, and his victories are a source of pride to his high
10 school and hometown; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
12 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Michael
13 Christopher Riemann on winning two consecutive state titles in
14 power lifting and extend to him warmest best wishes for continued
15 success; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for Mr. Riemann as an expression of high regard by the
18 Texas House of Representatives.