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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Florence FFA brought great pride to 2 their community with their exemplary performance at the 77th 3 National FFA Convention held in Louisville, Kentucky, in October 4 2004; and

WHEREAS, FFA is a national youth organization that makes a 5 6 positive difference in the lives of its nearly 500,000 student members, who are preparing for careers in the science, business, 7 and technology of agriculture, by developing their potential for 8 9 leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education; the convention competitions encourage 10 11 achievement and excellence in scholarship and develop 12 interpersonal skills in teamwork and communication; and

WHEREAS, Florence students Caitlin Frederick and Amber Krause earned a second national Agriscience Fair championship for their hometown FFA with their outstanding project entitled, "Organic Acid Wash: A Cleaner Beef"; the young women won first place in their division in the Biochemistry/Microbiology/Food Science category, receiving \$500 each in addition to the \$2,000 they secured at the state convention held in July; and

20 WHEREAS, Competing on the Florence Ag Communications team 21 were Joanna Hensley, Ray Skidmore, Katie Glover, and Kristin Wiehe; 22 securing third place, the group was awarded a gold emblem in 23 recognition of their "outstanding team" status, and, in addition, 24 Ms. Wiehe earned a \$900 college scholarship and Ms. Hensley

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1 acquired a \$500 scholarship; and

WHEREAS, These outstanding students, with the help of their families, teachers, coaches, and sponsors, have demonstrated an exceptional capacity for commitment, determination, and hard work, and their remarkable achievements serve as an inspiring example to all young Texans; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate the Florence FFA team on its
9 award-winning performance at the 77th National FFA Convention and
10 extend to its members sincere best wishes for success in all their
11 future endeavors; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 13 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas 14 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 163 was adopted by the House on Februaury 17, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House