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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, University of Texas at Austin sophomore Andra Kareem 2 Manson captured national championships in the outdoor and indoor 3 high jump during the 2004 NCAA track and field season, highlighting 4 an already exceptional athletic career; and

5 WHEREAS, A Brenham native, Mr. Manson won the outdoor title 6 with a personal-best leap of 7 feet, 7.25 inches and also took home 7 outdoor gold medals at the TCU Invitational, the Penn Relays, and 8 the Big 12 Championships; he nabbed the indoor championship by 9 clearing 7 feet, 3.75 inches, and won or tied for first in every 10 indoor meet in which he competed; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Manson enjoyed an impressive career as a high 12 jumper at Brenham High School, twice winning the state 4A 13 championship and thrice taking the district championship; he set 14 the Texas Relays high school meet record by leaping 7 feet, 3.25 15 inches as a senior, and in 2002 he cleared 7 feet, 7 inches to win 16 the World Junior Championship in Kingston, Jamaica, and was named 17 *Track and Field News*' Male High School Athlete of the Year; and

18 WHEREAS, With two national championships and two Big 12 19 championships to his credit, Andra Manson is poised for greatness 20 in the sport of track and field; he has represented The University 21 of Texas at Austin with dignity and grace on the athletic field, and 22 he remains a source of great pride to his family and friends in 23 Brenham and in Austin; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

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Legislature hereby recognize Andra Kareem Manson for his significant achievements in the sport of track and field, and commend him for his dedication to excellence as a student-athlete

4 at The University of Texas at Austin; and, be it further

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5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 6 prepared for Mr. Manson as an expression of high regard by the Texas 7 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 274 was adopted by the House on February 24, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House