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R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

1 Legislature hereby recognize Andra Kareem Manson for his
2 significant achievements in the sport of track and field, and
3 commend him for his dedication to excellence as a student-athlete
4 at The University of Texas at Austin; and, be it further

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.