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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 2004-2005 chess team from The University of
2 Texas at Dallas captured first place at the prestigious 50th Pan
3 American Intercollegiate Team Chess Championship, and this
4 outstanding achievement provides a perfect opportunity to honor the
5 myriad accomplishments of this exceptional group; and

6 WHEREAS, After winning this top tournament in 2003, the UTD
7 chess team outwitted the University of Maryland, Baltimore County,
8 as well as the Stanford and Yale University teams, to claim for the
9 second consecutive year the Pan American championship, which is
10 held annually in December to determine the best college team in the
11 Americas; and

12 WHEREAS, Originally coached by Dr. Tim Redman, director of
13 the UTD chess program, and now led by coach and international master
14 Rade Milovanovic, the UTD chess team has enjoyed remarkable success
15 over its nine-year history; and

16 WHEREAS, Members of the 2004-2005 UTD chess team include
17 international masters Peter Vavrak, Magesh Chandran Panchanathan,
18 and Amon Simutowe, and FIDE masters Andrei Zarembo and Michal
19 Kujovic; and

20 WHEREAS, These exemplary chess players have also generously
21 donated their time and considerable talents to the Dallas
22 Independent School District, providing chess instruction and
23 assisting DISD high school students in chess tournaments; and

24 WHEREAS, The UTD chess team has demonstrated the requisite

1 mental toughness and competitive excellence necessary to succeed
2 not only in chess but also in the classroom, and it is most
3 appropriate to pay tribute to its worthy members at this time; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
6 Legislature hereby commend Coach Rade Milovanovic and The
7 University of Texas at Dallas chess team for winning the Pan
8 American Intercollegiate Team Chess Championship and extend to them
9 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Coach Milovanovic and the members of the team as an
12 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.