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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Alex Lee Garza of Rio Grande City has distinguished himself as a talented athlete through his winning of gold and silver medals at the 2004 Amateur Athletic Union Junior Olympics held in Des Moines, Iowa; and

5 WHEREAS, A fifth-grader at La Union Elementary School, Alex 6 has earned a medal in each of the three previous Junior Olympics competitions; preparing well for the first year in which he was 7 qualified to participate in two events, he undertook an intensive 8 training regimen and set a new bar for personal accomplishment in 9 2004, taking the gold medal in the discus throw with a throw of 102 10 11 feet, 6 inches, and breaking the national record and earning the 12 silver medal in the shot put with his throw of 44 feet, 5-3/413 inches; and

WHEREAS, His outstanding performance in these events is attributable not only to his own determination and discipline but also to the solid support he received from his friends and family, including his parents, Alex and Mariselda Garza; his sister, Amanda Lee; his uncle and coach, Ronald Pratt; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Garza and Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Salinas; and

20 WHEREAS, A great favorite in his hometown, Alex has benefited 21 from the good wishes and practical aid of his community, and their 22 loyalty has now been richly rewarded with athletic accolades in 23 which all who know him may take pride; now, therefore, be it

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

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Legislature hereby congratulate Alex Lee Garza on winning gold and silver medals in the Amateur Athletic Union Junior Olympics and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 745 was adopted by the House on March 15, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House