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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Mariah L. Willis of Odessa has been selected to  
2 receive a Future African American Leadership Award from the Texas  
3 Legislative Black Caucus; and

4 WHEREAS, An honors student at Odessa High School, where she  
5 maintains a 3.8 grade point average, Ms. Willis is a senior and  
6 member of the General Classes Student Council; she takes dual  
7 credit classes at Odessa College and has been listed in Who's Who  
8 Among American High School Students; and

9 WHEREAS, In addition to being an exceptional student, Ms.  
10 Willis is a skilled athlete whose performance on the Lady Bronchos  
11 basketball team has earned her numerous accolades, including being  
12 named All Permian Basin Most Valuable Player and District 3-5A Most  
13 Valuable Player; moreover, she was on the 2002-2003 track and field  
14 district championship team and is a three-year varsity letter  
15 winner for discus and shot put; and

16 WHEREAS, While maintaining an active extracurricular  
17 schedule, this talented young woman also helps in the community;  
18 she has shared her time and talents with Keep Odessa Beautiful, the  
19 Medical Center Hospital Junior Auxiliary, the St. James Baptist  
20 Church, the Black Cultural Council of Odessa, and the YMCA; and

21 WHEREAS, Being presented with a Future African American  
22 Leadership Award is truly a prestigious honor, and as Ms. Willis  
23 embraces a future bright with promise it is indeed appropriate to  
24 commend her for her achievements; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
2           Legislature hereby congratulate Mariah L. Willis on her receipt of  
3           a Future African American Leadership Award from the Texas  
4           Legislative Black Caucus and extend to her warmest best wishes for  
5           the future; and, be it further

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