

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Patriots baseball team of The University of
2 Texas at Tyler has won the Jostens/National Association of Division
3 III Athletic Administrators Community Service Award for the best
4 ongoing project or activity in the nation; and

5 WHEREAS, The award honors the team's Sport Cards for Kids
6 program, which began in June 2003; the Patriots baseball players
7 have since conducted more than 125 events with East Texas
8 organizations, including Tyler Independent School District,
9 Whitehouse Independent School District, Bullard Independent School
10 District, the American Heart Walk, Trinity Mother Frances Hospital,
11 and the Boys and Girls Clubs of East Texas, touching the lives of
12 thousands of young people in the Tyler area; and

13 WHEREAS, Members of the team have promoted education and
14 caring by providing baseball cards to children in local elementary
15 schools and hospital pediatric units; the program was later
16 expanded so that the players could offer baseball clinics and
17 sports equipment for young people; and

18 WHEREAS, Head coach James Vilade, along with assistants Kyle
19 Welsh and Jack Price, began the program in order to provide area
20 youth with local sports role models and to allow the members of the
21 baseball team to be helpful to the Tyler community; and

22 WHEREAS, Past and present members of the UT Tyler Patriots
23 have graciously answered this call to action; in so doing, their
24 service to the city of Tyler has extended well beyond the baseball

1 diamond, and they have become a powerful and positive influence on
2 the area's young residents; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
4 Legislature hereby congratulate The University of Texas at Tyler
5 Patriots baseball team on winning a Jostens/National Association of
6 Division III Athletic Administrators Community Service Award and
7 commend the players and coaches for their commitment to their
8 community; and, be it further

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

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Allen	Geren	Miller
Alonzo	Giddings	Moreno
Anchia	Gonzales	Morrison
Anderson	Gonzalez Toureilles	Mowery
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Bailey	Guillen	Naishtat
Berman	Haggerty	Noriega
Bohac	Hamilton	O'Day
Bolton	Hancock	Oliveira
Bonnen	Hardcastle	Olivo
Branch	Harless	Orr
Brown of Kaufman	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Brazos	Hartnett	Otto
Burnam	Heflin	Parker
Callegari	Hernandez	Patrick
Castro	Herrero	Paxton
Chavez	Hilderbran	Pena
Chisum	Hill	Phillips
Christian	Hochberg	Pickett
Cohen	Hodge	Pierson
Coleman	Homer	Pitts
Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Puente
Cook of Colorado	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Corte	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Crabb	Hughes	Riddle
Creighton	Isett	Ritter
Crownover	Jackson	Rodriguez
Darby	Jones	Rose
Davis of Harris	Keffer	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Parker	Smith of Harris
Delisi	King of Taylor	Smithee
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Solomons
Driver	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dukes	Krusee	Straus
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Latham	Talton
Eiland	Laubenberg	Taylor
Eissler	Leibowitz	Thompson
Elkins	Lucio III	Truitt
England	Macias	Turner
Escobar	Madden	Van Arsdale
Farabee	Mallory Caraway	Vaught
Farias	Martinez	Veasey
Farrar	Martinez Fischer	Villarreal
Flores	McCall	Vo
Flynn	McClendon	West
Frost	McReynolds	Woolley
Gallego	Menendez	Zedler
Garcia	Merritt	Zerwas

H.R. No. 369

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 369 was adopted by the House on April 24, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House