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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The New Caney High School academic decathlon team  
2 completed another outstanding year of competition in 2007, winning  
3 its 11th consecutive regional championship and taking fourth place  
4 at the 2007 state finals; and

5           WHEREAS, At the regional event, Class 4A New Caney dominated  
6 not only the teams in its own class but also those at the Class 5A  
7 level, a significant achievement for this talented group of  
8 students; and

9           WHEREAS, The 2007 team, which was coached by Ms. Stephenson,  
10 Ms. Smith, Ms. Bush, and Mr. Moore, includes Kevin Bush, Jose  
11 Garcia, Rafee Talukder, Derrick Pitts, Scott Sadler, Elizabeth  
12 Joyce, Anthony Carmona, Joseph Strother, and Michael Birdsey; and

13           WHEREAS, Each of the nine team members completed seven tests,  
14 two speaking events, and an essay, with scores tallied and compared  
15 to those of their peers; topics for this year's event were Chinese  
16 culture, music, literature, art, and economics; and

17           WHEREAS, By demonstrating a commitment to academic  
18 achievement, the 2007 New Caney High School academic decathlon team  
19 has continued a decade-long tradition of excellence, and team  
20 members can look back with pride on their impressive  
21 accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
23 Legislature hereby congratulate the members and coaches of the New  
24 Caney High School academic decathlon team for winning their 11th

1 consecutive regional championship and on their fourth-place finish  
2 at the state competition; and, be it further

3           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for the New Caney High School academic decathlon team as an  
5 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.