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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Having demonstrated great promise as a student and 2 citizen, Jairus Francis is being recognized at the Reginald Keith 3 Guillory Scholarship/Academic Awards Luncheon on April 14, 2007; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, This gathering is honoring 16 students in grades 5 6 through 12 who have distinguished themselves through their academic 7 pursuits and civic involvement; the awards pay tribute to the 8 memory of Reginald Keith Guillory, a student, musician, and member 9 of Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in Houston, whose tragic death in 10 an auto accident at age 18 prompted area residents to create a 11 scholarship fund; and

12 WHEREAS, A most deserving recipient of this honor, Jairus 13 Francis is the 15-year-old son of Willie and Truddie Francis; he is 14 an eighth-grade student at Quail Valley Middle School and a member 15 of Mount Pleasant Baptist Church; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Francis won a bronze medal for his poem "If I 17 Could" and special recognition at the South Central Chapter 21st 18 Regional Conference; and

WHEREAS, He is currently chaplain of the National Youth Achievers and has volunteered with the Socks for Senior Citizens Program at the Anna Dupree Terrace Retirement Homes, Share Your Christmas and Walk-It-Out at Loyal Missionary Baptist Church, and the First Ward Activity Club; he aspires to become a mechanical engineer, sports agent, or football player and to be a positive

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1 hero; and

WHEREAS, This fine young Texan is a source of tremendous pride to his family and teachers, and it is a pleasure to recognize Jairus Francis as an exemplary member of the community whose many achievements foretell a bright future; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 7 Legislature hereby congratulate Jairus Francis on being a 2007 8 honoree of the Reginald Keith Guillory Scholarship/Academic Awards 9 Luncheon and extend to him best wishes for additional success; and, 10 be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 12 prepared for Mr. Francis as an expression of high regard by the 13 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1333 was adopted by the House on April 10, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House