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H.R. No. 1333

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

1 hero; and

2 WHEREAS, This fine young Texan is a source of tremendous
3 pride to his family and teachers, and it is a pleasure to recognize
4 Jairus Francis as an exemplary member of the community whose many
5 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.