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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A team of three computer science students from The
2 University of Texas at Dallas, graduate student Jack Lindamood and
3 undergraduates Michelle Berger and Matthew Dempsy, placed in the
4 top 20 teams competing in the World Finals of the Association for
5 Computing Machinery International Collegiate Programming Contest
6 held in Tokyo from March 12 to 16, 2007; and

7 WHEREAS, From its origins as a competition at Texas A&M
8 University in 1970, the ACM-ICPC has grown into one of the most
9 prestigious programming contests in the world, involving students
10 and faculty from 1,756 universities in 82 countries; now
11 headquartered at Baylor University, the contest encourages
12 creativity, teamwork, and innovation in software design; at the
13 2007 World Finals in Japan, teams from six continents competed to
14 solve 10 computer programming problems in under five hours; and

15 WHEREAS, Working with a single computer at their first
16 world-class competition, the UT Dallas team placed 14th out of 88
17 teams, completing five problems in the allotted time; this
18 impressive showing made UT Dallas one of only three teams from
19 American universities to place in the top 20; coached by UT Dallas
20 associate professor Ivor Page, the team members are all students at
21 the Erik Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science; and

22 WHEREAS, These gifted and disciplined students may take great
23 pride in their achievements, and it is appropriate to take this
24 opportunity to recognize them; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
2 Legislature hereby congratulate Jack Lindamood, Michelle Berger,
3 and Matthew Dempsky of The University of Texas at Dallas on placing
4 in the top 20 at the 2007 World Finals of the Association for
5 Computing Machinery International Collegiate Programming Contest
6 and extend to them best wishes for their continued success; and, be
7 it further

8 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
9 for Mr. Lindamood, Ms. Berger, and Mr. Dempsky as an expression of
10 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.