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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The student volunteers of Midland Teen Court provide
2 an important civic service by taking part in a juvenile justice
3 program that benefits area residents and also provides valuable
4 experience for the young participants who fill the courtroom
5 assignments; and

6 WHEREAS, Using judges, lawyers, and teen volunteers to offer
7 "restorative justice" to peers, Teen Court hears cases involving
8 teenage defendants who have plead guilty to a Class C misdemeanor;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Ten graduating seniors from Midland ISD volunteered
11 to become part of an actual courtroom, acting as the prosecution,
12 defense, and jury, and their contributions to this important
13 program earned them a total of \$12,250 in scholarships;
14 participants include James Matthew Carathers, Neil P. Doctor,
15 Sydney D. Freeman, Arun Ramkhelawan, Ainsley Anne Rea, and
16 Stephanie Michelle Strauss from Lee High School, and Ismail Shakoor
17 Boodhwani, Jr., Douglas William Eichorst III, Celeste Amanda
18 Martinez, and Meagan Rachelle Mowles from Midland High School; and

19 WHEREAS, By aiding the administration of juvenile justice,
20 these fine young Texans have contributed to the well-being of this
21 state while learning important lessons for the future, and they are
22 indeed deserving of recognition for their efforts; now, therefore,
23 be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby recognize the Midland ISD student volunteers of
2 Midland Teen Court and commend them for their dedicated service to
3 the community; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for these notable young men and women as an expression of
6 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.