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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The members of the Texas MATHCOUNTS Team took
2 first-place honors at the 2007 MATHCOUNTS National Competition; and

3 WHEREAS, Led by Sugar Land teacher Jeff Boyd, this team of
4 outstanding young "mathletes" includes Bobby Shen, a sixth-grader
5 at First Colony Middle School in Sugar Land, Jeff Feng, an
6 eighth-grader at T. H. Rogers School in Houston, and Kevin Li, a
7 seventh-grader at A&M Consolidated Middle School in College
8 Station; rounding out the group is eighth-grader Kevin Chen of
9 First Colony Middle School in Sugar Land, whose first-place finish
10 in both the individual and Master Rounds, along with his team's
11 victory, secured a triple victory sweep for Texas at this year's
12 event; the winners receive scholarships, notebook computers, and a
13 trip to the White House to meet with the president; and

14 WHEREAS, Nearly 40,000 students from 6,000 schools across the
15 country participate in local MATHCOUNTS contests, but only 228
16 middle school students make it to the national competition;
17 participants benefit greatly from the program's mission to
18 encourage critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and to
19 promote awareness of careers available in mathematics,
20 engineering, technology, and science; supported through
21 appropriations by the Texas Legislature, MATHCOUNTS in the Lone
22 Star State emphasizes the educational importance of developing
23 expertise in such areas as algebra, computation, consumer math,
24 logic, probability, and statistics; and

1 WHEREAS, The members of the 2007 Texas MATHCOUNTS Team have
2 demonstrated remarkable skill and dedication, and their victory at
3 the national competition has brought tremendous pride to their
4 families, to their schools, and to the Lone Star State; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Kevin Chen, Jeff Feng, Kevin Li,
8 Bobby Shen, and their coach, Jeff Boyd, on winning first place at
9 the 2007 MATHCOUNTS National Competition and extend to these
10 outstanding young mathletes sincere best wishes for continued
11 achievement; and, be it further

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