By: Smith of Harris

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Eugene Matir has been named valedictorian of the Class of 2007 at Ross S. Sterling High School in Baytown, and for achieving this significant honor, he indeed merits special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Earning the title of valedictorian requires not only intellect and aptitude, but four years of dedication to the highest academic standards; the student who garners this coveted distinction must demonstrate a thorough understanding of a wide range of subjects, from math and science to language arts and social studies, yet the rewards of the countless hours of study and preparation are myriad; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the pride inherent in being recognized as the highest achieving student in his class, the valedictorian is frequently the recipient of scholarships and grants; he also gains the opportunity to address his fellow seniors at commencement and to reflect on their shared history as well as their hopes and ambitions for the future; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Matir has been an all-A student since elementary school; during his time at Sterling High, he has been involved in many organizations and activities, including the National Honor Society, the band, the Key Club, the Red Cross Club, the Good Sportsmanship League, and the Spanish Club; moreover, he was selected as the January 2007 Baytown Youth of the Month and participated in Boys State in 2006; he plans to attend The

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- 1 University of Texas at Austin to study biology; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The son of proud parents Estanislad and Rowena
- 3 Matir, Eugene Matir has earned the respect and admiration of his
- 4 teachers and classmates at Sterling High, and his exceptional
- 5 scholastic ability, hard work, and commitment to excellence have
- 6 surely opened the way to limitless opportunities for this
- 7 remarkable young Texan; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 9 Legislature hereby congratulate Eugene Matir on being named
- 10 valedictorian of the Class of 2007 at Ross S. Sterling High School
- 11 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness and
- 12 success; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for Mr. Matir as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 15 House of Representatives.