By: Ellis S.C.R. No. 15

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas takes great pride in recognizing Houston native Vincent Paul Young, Jr., of the Tennessee Titans for his outstanding season in the National Football League and in paying tribute to him for winning the Associated Press Offensive Rookie of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, After leading The University of Texas Longhorns to the 2005 national championship title, Vince Young was the third overall pick in the 2006 National Football League draft; he took over as the Titans' starting quarterback in the fourth week of the season and quickly became the star player of one of the strongest rookie classes in National Football League history; and

WHEREAS, A fearless athlete who is noted for his outstanding talent and tenacity, Vince was the driving force behind the Tennessee Titans' turnaround from an 0-5 record to open the season to an 8-8 final season record, leading the team through a six-game winning streak that included a spectacular overtime victory in his hometown; and

WHEREAS, Famous for his great speed, as well as his accurate arm, Vince became the first rookie quarterback in the Super Bowl era to rush for more than 500 yards in a season; the combination of his spectacular big plays and his single-minded will to win allowed him to become the second quarterback ever to win the Offensive Rookie of the Year Award in the award's 49-year history; and

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WHEREAS, A dynamic leader and a champion since his days at Madison High School in Houston, Vince has the ability to rally players around him and inspire their spirit and performance; his outstanding rookie season is certain to be a springboard to even greater success in the future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas hereby commend Vincent Paul Young, Jr., for his extraordinary achievements and leadership on the football field and extend congratulations to him on winning the Associated Press Offensive Rookie of the Year Award; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for him 12 as an expression of high regard from the Texas Legislature.