

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 432

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the German exchange students and their teacher sponsors who are visiting James Bowie High School in Austin and extend to them a warm welcome on the occasion of their visit to the capital city from March 17 through April 5, 2007; and

WHEREAS, The exchange students are participating in the German-American Partnership Program, which is a part of the Goethe Institute, an international organization sponsored by the German government; since its inception in 1977, the program has promoted the study of German language and culture at high schools throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, James Bowie High School joined the student exchange program in 1989, and has participated in exchanges with schools in the Munich area, initially with a high school in Pullach and later with Gymnasium Oberhaching, a high school southeast of Munich; and

WHEREAS, Today, the German-American Partnership Program encompasses approximately 730 partnerships between American high schools and German schools; in 2006, more than 7,000 German students visited an American partner school and more than 5,000 American students traveled to Germany; and

WHEREAS, Ewa Siwak is the James Bowie High School teacher sponsoring the school's exchange program; the students visiting James Bowie High School this year are Julian Regnet, David Schnell, Simon Seidel, Christian Schaefer, Manuel Katzer, Theresa Lederer, Julia Lohmann, Lisette Warkentin, Juliane Warbus, Teresa Woefel, Verena Gernegross, Romina Ecker, Melanie Wittlinger, Veronika Schneider, Alexia Ayvatoglou, Elina Palm, Sonja Schaefer, Julia Wutzer, and Vanessa Mantl; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Senate takes great pleasure in offering these students and their teacher sponsors from Germany a cordial welcome to the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby recognize the German exchange students and their teacher sponsors as Honorary Texans with all attendant rights and privileges; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on March 7, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate