

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 690

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Albert Drake, who recently won the 2007 Poetry Out Loud Texas state championship competition; and

WHEREAS, The Writers' League of Texas and the Texas Commission on the Arts hosted the annual competition for the second year in a row; the event is also supported by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Poetry Out Loud is a nationwide poetry recitation contest for high school students that fosters an awareness and appreciation of the rich oral tradition of poetry; and

WHEREAS, Albert is a student at Carver Magnet High School in Aldine; as winner of the state championship competition, he will travel to Washington, D.C., and compete for a \$20,000 scholarship from the Poetry Foundation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby congratulate Albert Drake for winning the 2007 Poetry Out Loud state championship competition and extend to him best wishes for success at the national competition in Washington, D.C.; and, be it further

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

Whitmire

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 16, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate