

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 888

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Marcus High School marching band, which recently won the Class 5A University Interscholastic League state championship title; and

**WHEREAS**, The 280-member band captured the title in their second appearance at the state competition; they entered the final day in fourth place but swept past their opponents by finishing first on four of the five judges' ballots; and

**WHEREAS**, These young musicians have exhibited great talent and perseverance throughout the school year; their show, "The Choral Reef: Voices from Beneath the Sea," features a variety of sea-themed mechanical props used by the colorguard; and

**WHEREAS**, Drum majors Daniel Bloss and Sarah Ballard and assistant drum major Alex Welsh have shown outstanding dedication and leadership skills; under the superior professionalism and expertise of band director Amanda Drinkwater and associate directors David Simon, Dominic Talanca, and Kennan Wylie, and with the assistance of colorguard instructor Mike Blade, the band has developed exceptional teamwork and discipline; and

**WHEREAS**, The faculty and staff of Marcus High School and the parents of the marching band members have supported the band and are proud of them for their hard work, their diligence, and their commitment to excellence; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby extend congratulations to the Marcus High School marching band on winning the Class 5A University Interscholastic League state championship title; and, be it further

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

Harris, Nelson

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 26, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate

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