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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Rushan Gao of Houston has once again demonstrated
2 remarkable athletic skill by earning three gold medals in table
3 tennis at the 2008 Huntsman World Senior Games in St. George, Utah;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, One of the premier senior athletic events in the
6 world, the Huntsman World Senior Games is an annual international,
7 Olympic-style sporting event that attracts more than 9,500 athletes
8 to compete in a wide variety of events; and

9 WHEREAS, A dominant force among table tennis players ages 80
10 and older Mr. Gao has won gold medals in men's singles, men's
11 doubles, and mixed doubles at every Huntsman event since 2005, a
12 total of 12 first-place finishes in the last four years; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Gao has also enjoyed success in other
14 competitions, including his victories in mixed doubles and men's
15 singles play at the 2008 San Antonio Senior Games and in the mixed
16 doubles category at the 2008 Kerrville Senior Games; in addition,
17 he finished third in the over-80 singles division at the USA Table
18 Tennis U.S. Open in 2004; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Gao's notable and ongoing achievements help to
20 demonstrate the benefits of good health and physical fitness for
21 people of all ages, and he serves as an inspiring example of how
22 Texans can live vigorous and eventful lives deep into their golden
23 years; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate Rushan Gao on his many victories at
2 the Huntsman World Senior Games and extend to him sincere best
3 wishes for continued joy and success; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for Mr. Gao as an expression of high regard by the Texas
6 House of Representatives.