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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The team from Entertainment Series of Irving took
2 top honors in the "Irving Trivia--the City and the Man" contest at
3 Valley Ranch Library on April 19, 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Irving Heritage Society, the Irving
5 Public Library, and the Irving Independent School District, the
6 contest was part of "Celebrating Irving--The City and the Man," a
7 monthlong commemoration of the 226th birthday of the American
8 writer Washington Irving, author of the classic story "Rip van
9 Winkle" and the namesake of the city of Irving; and

10 WHEREAS, The trivia contest tested each team's knowledge of
11 the history of the city of Irving and the life of Washington Irving;
12 11 teams entered the preliminary rounds, with four making it to the
13 finals at Valley Ranch Library; and

14 WHEREAS, The winning team from Entertainment Series of Irving
15 scored an early victory by knowing that, in Washington Irving's
16 story, the character Rip van Winkle left his home to get away from
17 his nagging wife; they triumphed after a grueling round of 16
18 tiebreaker and 2 sudden-death questions by knowing that the monks
19 who founded the Cistercian Preparatory School in Irving were
20 originally from Hungary; and

21 WHEREAS, Sharing in the victory at this fun and informative
22 event were the four members of the ESI team, Max Whitley, Richard
23 Knoll, Marlene Steward, and F. M. Gilbert, and they may indeed take
24 pride in their comprehensive knowledge of their community and of

1 the man who shares his name with the city; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Max Whitley, Richard Knoll,
4 Marlene Steward, and F. M. Gilbert of Entertainment Series of
5 Irving for winning the 2009 "Irving Trivia--the City and the Man"
6 contest and extend to the team's members sincere best wishes for
7 continued happiness; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas
10 House of Representatives.