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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Texas MATHCOUNTS Team captured top honors at the
- 2 2009 MATHCOUNTS National Competition, which took place in Orlando,
- 3 Florida, on May 8, 2009; and
- 4 WHEREAS, A national mathematics coaching and competition
- 5 program, MATHCOUNTS serves to promote interest in the career
- 6 opportunities that are available in mathematics, engineering,
- 7 technology, and science; the program allows more than 500,000
- 8 students nationwide to become involved in coaching sessions at the
- 9 school level and to develop critical thinking skills and
- 10 problem-solving techniques in algebra, computation, consumer math,
- 11 geometry, logic, statistics, and other fields; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The Texas team consisted of four exceptional
- 13 students, Yury Aglyamov from Kealing Middle School in Austin,
- 14 Steven Chen from Canyon Vista Middle School in Round Rock, and Bobby
- 15 Shen and Lilly Shen, both from First Colony Middle School in Sugar
- 16 Land; Bobby Shen also earned first place overall and became the 2009
- 17 National MATHCOUNTS Champion; and
- WHEREAS, Serving as coach for the 2009 Texas team was math
- 19 teacher Jeff Boyd of First Colony Middle School in Sugar Land; the
- 20 2009 victory marks the fourth national title in five years for the
- 21 Lone Star State teams headed by Mr. Boyd, which makes him the most
- 22 successful coach in MATHCOUNTS history; and
- 23 WHEREAS, These talented young Texans have each demonstrated
- 24 admirable commitment to the pursuit of excellence in mathematics

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- 1 through countless hours of hard work, and it is indeed a pleasure to
- 2 recognize them for their outstanding achievement; now, therefore,
- 3 be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby congratulate the Texas team on winning the 2009
- 6 MATHCOUNTS National Competition and extend to Mathletes Yury
- 7 Aglyamov, Steven Chen, Bobby Shen, and Lilly Shen, and Coach Jeff
- 8 Boyd sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 11 House of Representatives.