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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The marching band of Hendrickson High School in
2 Pflugerville was named the 2010-2011 Grand Master Champion at the
3 Fiesta Bowl Band Championship, which was held in Glendale, Arizona,
4 in December 2010; and

5 WHEREAS, One of the most prestigious high school marching
6 band competitions in the country, the Fiesta Bowl invites the
7 nation's most highly decorated bands to perform their best
8 10-minute field presentations in front of a panel of judges; the
9 Hawk Band's performance of "Illuminatus" took first place in the
10 categories of music performance, general effect, visual
11 performance, and percussion, and the band won the coveted Grand
12 Master trophy; and

13 WHEREAS, The Hendrickson High group won a second competition
14 at the Fiesta Bowl when it was named Grand Champion of the Fort
15 McDowell Fiesta Bowl Parade, a time-honored tradition sponsored by
16 the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation and the only major bowl parade in
17 which bands are judged; the Hawks earned top marks in music
18 performance and general effect at the downtown Phoenix event; and

19 WHEREAS, In the eight years since Hendrickson High School
20 opened, the Hawk Marching Band has won the U.S. Scholastic Band
21 Association State Marching Band Championship and finished in the
22 top five at three annual University Interscholastic League 4A
23 Marching Band Contests; the band has also been a finalist twice at
24 Bands of America competitions, and it has marched in the

1 ABC/Boscov's Thanksgiving Day Parade in Philadelphia and the Disney
2 Magic Music Days Parade in Orlando, Florida; and

3 WHEREAS, Under the leadership of founding band director Garth
4 Gundersen and with the enthusiastic support of the community, the
5 Hawk Band has distinguished itself as one of the premier high school
6 marching bands in the Lone Star State, and its talented young
7 musicians may indeed take great pride in their most recent
8 achievement; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
10 Legislature hereby congratulate the Hendrickson High School
11 Marching Band on being named the 2010-2011 Grand Master Champion at
12 the Fiesta Bowl Band Championship and extend to the band's members
13 and staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for the Hendrickson High School Marching Band as an
17 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.