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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, High school students from across the Lone Star State
2 are gathering in Austin on February 14, 2011, for Texas SkillsUSA
3 Day at the State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Texas SkillsUSA is a nonprofit organization that
5 encourages students in trade and industry education to develop
6 essential skills such as communication and teamwork while also
7 gaining a competitive edge in the job market; teachers benefit as
8 well by enhancing their occupational education programs and gaining
9 local business support and participation; and

10 WHEREAS, Founded in 1948, Texas SkillsUSA now has more than
11 1,000 chapters at public and trade/technical schools and serves
12 over 15,000 student and professional members who are enrolled in
13 trade, technical, industrial, and health occupation programs; the
14 organization helps coordinate the efforts of educators,
15 administrators, corporations, labor organizations, trade
16 associations, and government agencies in order to meet the nation's
17 need for a globally competitive, educated, and skilled workforce;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Taking part in Texas SkillsUSA Day are seven of the
20 organization's officers; Austin Scarborough of Duncanville High
21 School is the state president and is enrolled in the Career and
22 Technical Education engineering program, and C. J. DeHart of
23 Westwood High School in Austin is the state secretary and is in the
24 CTE graphic design program; the other officers are all in the CTE

1 criminal justice program; Gabby Espinosa of the Townview Law Magnet
2 School in Dallas is state vice president, Jaime Jimenez, also from
3 the Townview Law Magnet School, is the state parliamentarian, Marco
4 Cavazos of Homer Hanna High School in Brownsville is the state
5 historian, Cristina Lopez, who also attends Homer Hanna High
6 School, is the state reporter, and Samantha Allen of New Braunfels
7 High School is the state treasurer; and

8 WHEREAS, These fine young Texans are doing an exceptional job
9 of furthering the mission of Texas SkillsUSA, and this beneficial
10 organization is indeed deserving of praise for its success in
11 preparing young people to become productive members of the
12 workforce; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
14 Legislature hereby recognize February 14, 2011, as Texas SkillsUSA
15 Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
16 sincere best wishes for a memorable and meaningful visit to Austin.