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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, In an impressive demonstration of teamwork and
- 2 resourceful thinking, the Destination ImagiNation team from
- 3 Clayton Downing Middle School in Flower Mound took first place at
- 4 the Texas Destination ImagiNation Affiliate Tournament on April 2,
- 5 2011; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Destination ImagiNation is an international program
- 7 that promotes cooperation and creative problem solving among
- 8 students; teams compete to find innovative solutions to a variety
- 9 of educational challenges; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Calling themselves Dig It!, this team of talented
- 11 girls has worked together for four years, starting at Bridlewood
- 12 Elementary School; their skill and easy rapport have helped them
- 13 garner DI trophies from regional, state, and international
- 14 competitions; and
- WHEREAS, Dig It! triumphed at the state DI event with its
- 16 response to an improvisational challenge in which team members had
- 17 five minutes to combine elements chosen at random: a mythological
- 18 creature, a foreign culture, three props, and an unexpected
- 19 problem; reaching an impressive and entertaining solution, the
- 20 Downing Middle School group finished first, again qualifying for
- 21 the DI Global Finals in Knoxville, Tennessee, where in 2010, it
- 22 placed second out of 65 teams from around the world; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Supported by parent volunteer Teri Guthrie, members
- 24 of Dig It! include Grace Cabuena, Emily Guthrie, Tiffany Jones,

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- 1 Katie Kelton, Maggie McGee, and Erin Zilka; and
- WHEREAS, Dig It! is a source of great pride to Downing Middle
- 3 School and the Flower Mound community, and it is indeed a pleasure
- 4 to honor the team on its latest achievement; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby congratulate the Destination ImagiNation team
- 7 from Clayton Downing Middle School on its first-place finish at the
- 8 DI 2011 state tournament and extend to the group sincere best wishes
- 9 for continued success; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for Dig It! as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 12 House of Representatives.