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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Students from Franklin High School in El Paso took
- 2 first place in the 2011 Stock Market Game Legislative Challenge
- 3 sponsored by the Texas Council on Economic Education; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The Stock Market Game online investing simulation
- 5 was created by the Securities Industry and Financial Markets
- 6 Association Foundation to help the nation's students learn how
- 7 markets work and how to manage their personal finances; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Administered in Texas by the TCEE, the Stock Market
- 9 Game allows students to apply their math, social studies, language,
- 10 and critical thinking skills and invest a hypothetical \$100,000 in
- 11 real stocks, bonds, and mutual funds; the Legislative Challenge
- 12 invites one team from each of the legislative districts in Texas to
- 13 compete to increase the value of their virtual online investment
- 14 trading account over a period of 10 weeks; and
- WHEREAS, Franklin High School students won the competition
- 16 with a seven percent gain in the value of their portfolio; the team
- 17 consists of five members, including senior Maddison Kahner Dowdy,
- 18 senior Alejandro Marquez, senior Mariana Villanueva, junior
- 19 Natalie Felsen, and junior Katherine Nielson, and it was supported
- 20 by faculty adviser Carl McCaig; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Through hard work, talent, and discipline, these
- 22 outstanding young people gained valuable insight into the workings
- 23 of the financial world and earned distinction for themselves and
- 24 their school; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby congratulate Maddison Kahner Dowdy, Alejandro
- 3 Marquez, Mariana Villanueva, Natalie Felsen, and Katherine Nielson
- 4 from Franklin High School in El Paso on their first-place finish in
- 5 the Stock Market Game Legislative Challenge sponsored by the Texas
- 6 Council on Economic Education, and extend to them sincere best
- 7 wishes for continued success in all of their endeavors; and, be it
- 8 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.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2114 was adopted by the House on May 26, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House