## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Ashley Williams, a seventh-grader at the Girls and
- 2 Boys Preparatory Academy in Houston, won second place honors at the
- 3 inaugural African American National Spelling Bee Championships on
- 4 May 14, 2011, in Houston; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The goal of the African American National Spelling
- 6 Bee Championships is to improve the spelling skills of African
- 7 American middle school students, which in turn helps them to raise
- 8 their reading level and expand their vocabulary; by preparing for
- 9 the spelling bee, young people develop confidence and discipline,
- 10 traits that are necessary to excel academically; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Students from across Houston competed in two rounds
- 12 of spelling bees for the opportunity to go to the main event; after
- 13 advancing through the regional competition, Ashley Williams came in
- 14 second place at the championships, and she was sponsored for the
- 15 contest by her teacher, Brenda Upton; and
- WHEREAS, This notable young Texan has distinguished herself
- 17 with her hard work, determination, and poise under pressure, and
- 18 she may indeed look forward to a future that is bright with promise;
- 19 now, therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 21 Legislature hereby congratulate Ashley Williams on placing second
- 22 at the African American National Spelling Bee Championships and
- 23 extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success and
- 24 happiness; and, be it further

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- 1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 2 prepared for Ashley Williams as an expression of high regard by the
- 3 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2358 was adopted by the House on May 26, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House