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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Banditos Black baseball team of Houston proved
- 2 itself one of the finest amateur squads in the country by capturing
- 3 the World Wood Bat Association 17-and-under national championship
- 4 in Marietta, Georgia, on July 13, 2012; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Made up of elite high school competitors from the
- 6 Houston area, the Banditos combined a powerful offense with
- 7 outstanding pitching to win the prestigious WWBA tournament, which
- 8 includes 300 teams and is considered a top showcase for young
- 9 ballplayers; and
- 10 WHEREAS, After dropping two of its first four matchups at the
- 11 event, the Banditos were unstoppable, winning seven straight games
- 12 to earn a spot in the championship final; in that contest, Bryce
- 13 Welborn tossed a complete-game four-hitter, a performance that
- 14 helped him secure the tournament Most Valuable Pitcher award; the
- 15 team's airtight defense chipped in with three double plays, while
- 16 Robie Rojas, Ryne Birk, and Kacy Clemens knocked in runs to give the
- 17 team a 4-0 victory and the WWBA title; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Guided by coach Ray De Leon, the Banditos also
- 19 received vital contributions throughout the tournament from the
- 20 other members of the roster: Ishmael Edwards, Isaiah Rojas, Daniel
- 21 Lee, Luis Roman, Andre Shewcraft, Zane Gurwitz, Ryan Capel,
- 22 Thaddius Lowry, Carter Hope, Dylan Bass, Braeden Holub, Nick Banks,
- 23 Austin Gryder, Nicholas Buckner, and Stone Garrett; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Winning a national championship represents the

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- 1 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering
- 2 commitment to excellence, and the memory of this accomplishment
- 3 will be treasured by these athletes and their supporters for many
- 4 years to come; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby congratulate the Banditos Black baseball team on
- 7 winning the World Wood Bat Association 17-and-under national
- 8 championship and extend to all those associated with the team
- 9 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for the Banditos as an expression of high regard by the
- 12 Texas House of Representatives.

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	Speaker of the House
I certify that H.R. No. 374 was	adopted by the House on March 5,
2013, by a non-record vote.	

Chief Clerk of the House