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H.R. No. 1487

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Ryan Kjos has been named the head baseball coach at
2 Gateway College Preparatory School in Georgetown; and

3 WHEREAS, A former High School Player of the Year in his native
4 Minnesota, Mr. Kjos was a star pitcher for The University of Texas
5 at Austin in the mid-1990s, winning the Most Valuable Player Award
6 during the 1994 Southwest Conference Tournament and helping the
7 Longhorns earn two College World Series appearances; and

8 WHEREAS, This exceptional athlete was drafted by the
9 Minnesota Twins as a high school player and then drafted again by
10 the Detroit Tigers following his junior year at UT; after his final
11 year at UT, he signed a contract with the Oakland Athletics and
12 played four years in their minor league system; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Kjos has coached baseball teams for the past 12
14 years and has two United States Specialty Sports Association Elite
15 24 World Series appearances to his credit; in all of his
16 assignments, he has focused on helping players to develop a
17 disciplined approach to the game and a solid understanding of
18 baseball fundamentals; and

19 WHEREAS, In addition to his other responsibilities, Mr. Kjos
20 is a partner in the Triple Play Sportsplex in Georgetown; moreover,
21 he is a frequent presenter on the biomechanics of throwing at sports
22 medicine clinics, for which he draws on the knowledge he gained
23 while earning his degree in kinesiology at UT; and

24 WHEREAS, Ryan Kjos brings extensive baseball experience to

1 the Gateway College Prep program as well as a desire to help young
2 people reach their full potential, and the school's educators and
3 students are justifiably excited to welcome him to the faculty;
4 now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
6 Legislature hereby congratulate Ryan Kjos on being selected as the
7 head baseball coach at Gateway College Preparatory School and
8 extend to him sincere best wishes for success in the years ahead;
9 and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Mr. Kjos as an expression of high regard by the Texas
12 House of Representatives.