By: Anderson H.R. No. 1951

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Elyse Pravel, a senior at Harmony Science Academy in
- 2 Waco, has been named the recipient of the 33rd annual Outstanding
- 3 Youth Citizenship Award by the Rotary Club of Waco and the ${\it Waco}$
- 4 Tribune-Herald; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Twenty-five seniors from McLennan County schools
- 6 were nominated for the award, which honors an individual who excels
- 7 in the classroom and in community service activities; Ms. Pravel is
- 8 the first student from Harmony Science Academy to be chosen as the
- 9 winner, and she was honored at a luncheon and received a \$4,000
- 10 scholarship; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The selection committee for the Outstanding Youth
- 12 Citizenship Award noted Ms. Pravel's dedication to mentoring and
- 13 tutoring in the community; she works with the College Readiness
- 14 Leadership Program to assist middle school and early high school
- 15 students in preparing for standardized tests and in developing
- 16 beneficial study habits; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Ms. Pravel is particularly interested in math and
- 18 robotics and is the director of design for the robotics team at her
- 19 school; in addition, she participates in the Math Olympiad and
- 20 helped to charter the school's student council; in her spare time,
- 21 she likes to paint and sketch, and she takes Turkish language
- 22 classes; and
- WHEREAS, The daughter of proud parents John and Donna Pravel
- 24 of Waco, Ms. Pravel is expected to graduate as the valedictorian of

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- 1 her class in 2013, and in the fall she will enroll at The University
- 2 of Texas at Austin, where she plans to major in mathematics and
- 3 education; and
- WHEREAS, The strength of our communities depends, in great
- 5 measure, on the initiative of young people like Elyse Pravel who are
- 6 devoted to their studies and who use their considerable talents to
- 7 assist others, and she is indeed deserving of this prestigious
- 8 honor; now, therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby congratulate Elyse Pravel on her receipt of the
- 11 Outstanding Youth Citizenship Award and extend to her sincere best
- 12 wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for Ms. Pravel as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 15 House of Representatives.