By: Anderson of McLennan

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The mock trial team from Midway High School took
 second place at the 2015 Region 12 High School Mock Trial
 Competition, held February 10-12 in Waco; and

WHEREAS, Facing off against the top area squads, the students from Midway High demonstrated a keen knowledge of the facts and intricate details of their assigned case while arguing before judges and lawyers at the Baylor Law School and the McLennan County Courthouse; the team defeated West High School in the semifinals to advance to the final round, where they ultimately fell short of the regional title to Live Oak Classical School; and

11 WHEREAS, With its runner-up finish, the team advanced to the 12 Texas High School Mock Trial Competition in Dallas for the second 13 consecutive year; there, Midway continued to perform well, narrowly 14 missing out on the semifinals and finishing in fifth place overall 15 out of 28 teams; and

16 WHEREAS, The members of the 2015 team are Hannah Johnson, 17 Katy Lou Neilson, Mollie Deaconson, M. J. Morris, Sami Landon, 18 Matthew Parsons, Ben Barker, Anthony Hejduk, Sam Richards, and 19 Riley Gardell; they were ably supported by faculty sponsor Kim 20 Landon and attorney advisor David Deaconson; and

21 WHEREAS, These fine young Texans have shown great 22 determination and skill, and they may indeed look forward to a 23 future bright with promise; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commend the Midway High School mock trial team
2 on its participation in the Region 12 and state mock trial
3 competitions and extend to the team's members sincere best wishes
4 for continued success; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 6 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas 7 House of Representatives.