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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A student team from Prairie View A&M University won  
2 the 2015 Honda Campus All-Star Challenge National Championship  
3 Tournament, held from March 21 through 25 in Torrance, California;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Over the past 26 years, more than 100,000 students  
6 from historically black colleges and universities have taken part  
7 in the annual Honda Campus All-Star Challenge academic quiz; the  
8 contest provides valuable support for book and tuition  
9 scholarships, facilities upgrades, and other important  
10 investments, and over \$7.5 million in grants has been awarded to  
11 date; and

12 WHEREAS, Prairie View A&M has competed in the challenge each  
13 year since its inception and made 19 previous appearances in the  
14 National Championship Tournament; after triumphing over 47 other  
15 teams, this year marks the second time Prairie View has captured the  
16 crown; the 2015 team has benefited from the able leadership of coach  
17 Herbert Thomas, and its members include Joseph Dowell, Brannon  
18 Billings, Eric Johnston, and Chayse Lavallais; and

19 WHEREAS, Through their expertise and hard work, the Prairie  
20 View A&M team members are continuing their school's tradition of  
21 academic excellence, and they may take justifiable pride in their  
22 myriad achievements; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
24 Legislature hereby congratulate the Prairie View A&M University

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1 team members on winning the 2015 Honda Campus All-Star Challenge  
2 National Championship Tournament and extend to them sincere best  
3 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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