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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Clear Creek Independent School District 2 Robonauts were part of the winning alliance at the annual FIRST 3 Robotics Competition world championship held in St. Louis, 4 Missouri, from April 22 through 25, 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, Founded in 1989, For Inspiration and Recognition of 6 Science and Technology, or FIRST, encourages young people to take 7 an interest in science and technology and to become leaders in 8 related professions; the organization engages students in 9 mentor-based programs that enhance knowledge in those disciplines 10 while fostering self-confidence, communication, leadership, and 11 other life skills; and

12 WHEREAS, This year's FIRST tournament involved a game called Recycle Rush, played by two rival alliances of three robots each 13 14 striving to score points by stacking totes on platforms, capping those stacks with recycling bins, and properly disposing of pool 15 16 noodles, which represented litter in the event; the Robonauts and their robot, Empire, joined forces with their alliance partners 17 from Davis, Clovis, and Palmdale, California, in vanquishing tough 18 opponents from across the United States as well as Canada and 19 20 Australia; and

21 WHEREAS, The Robonauts program was founded 19 years ago as a 22 partnership between the NASA Johnson Space Center and Clear Creek 23 ISD, and it has since made significant strides in advancing 24 community awareness of robotics; and

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1 WHEREAS, In collaborating with their partners to claim the 2 2015 FIRST world championship, the Robonauts have demonstrated 3 outstanding talent and dedication, and their achievement stands as 4 a source of pride for their classmates and their many supporters in 5 the local community; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas 7 Legislature hereby congratulate the Clear Creek Independent School 8 District Robonauts on being part of the winning alliance at the 2015 9 FIRST Robotics Competition world championship and extend to all 10 those involved with the team sincere best wishes for continued 11 success; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 13 prepared for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas 14 House of Representatives.

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