

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Students from Goose Creek Consolidated Independent  
2 School District took home multiple awards from the National History  
3 Day contest, held in College Park, Maryland, June 12-16, 2016; and

4           WHEREAS, Continuing the district's long tradition of success  
5 in the competition, Benjamin Warford-Johnston of Gentry Junior High  
6 School won first place in the junior division individual paper  
7 category with his historical paper titled "American Colonial  
8 Committees of Correspondence: Encountering Oppression, Exploring  
9 Unity, and Exchanging Visions of the Future"; and

10          WHEREAS, Danielle Garcia and Priscilla Garcia, students at  
11 Ross S. Sterling High School, placed second in the nation for their  
12 senior group exhibit, "WWII Women Air Force Service Pilots:  
13 Exchanging Traditional Roles, Exploring Military Aviation and  
14 Encountering Discrimination"; their exhibit was also selected by  
15 Texas History Day coordinators to be displayed at the American  
16 History Museum in Washington, D. C.; and

17          WHEREAS, Tomas de la Rosa of Ross S. Sterling High earned  
18 third place for his senior historical paper, "An Alien Race That  
19 Should be Segregated Socially: *Mendez v. Westminster*," and two  
20 other Sterling students, Kyleigh Fanning and Matthew Broussard,  
21 received the George Washington Leadership in History Award for  
22 their senior group documentary, *From Confederation to Nation*;  
23 moreover, the Legacy Award for outstanding past and present  
24 accomplishments in the competition was given to Mr. Broussard, who

1 won individual performance first-place prizes at National History  
2 Day in 2011, 2013, 2014, and 2015; and

3 WHEREAS, Havi Nguyen of Ross S. Sterling also made an  
4 impressive showing in the senior individual exhibit category,  
5 further adding to Goose Creek CISD students' many achievements at  
6 the event; and

7 WHEREAS, These talented young men and women demonstrated  
8 outstanding intelligence and resourcefulness with their stellar  
9 performance at National History Day, and they have brought  
10 tremendous pride to their families, to their schools, and to the  
11 State of Texas; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
13 Legislature hereby congratulate Benjamin Warford-Johnston,  
14 Danielle Garcia, Priscilla Garcia, Tomas de la Rosa, Kyleigh  
15 Fanning, Matthew Broussard, and Havi Nguyen on their superb efforts  
16 at the 2016 National History Day competition and extend to them  
17 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared  
19 for the students as an expression of high regard by the Texas House  
20 of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 457

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 457 was adopted by the House on March 2, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House