

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Connor Wolfe has made valuable contributions to the
2 Graham High School Rocketeer Steers team, which placed third in the
3 StellarXplorers III National High School Space Challenge held in
4 Colorado April 6-8, 2017; and

5 WHEREAS, Established by the Air Force Association,
6 StellarXplorers helps promote student engagement in science,
7 technology, engineering, and mathematics through a challenging
8 space-system design competition; the contest began in October 2016
9 with more than 130 teams registered from 30 states and 2 overseas
10 locations, and Graham High School advanced to the national event
11 after outstanding showings in the qualifying and semifinals rounds;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, In the finals, the squad faced off against nine
14 other teams, completing an exercise that involved meeting a set of
15 space-mission requirements; the Rocketeer Steers had eight hours to
16 define an optimal satellite orbit, select spacecraft components,
17 and choose rocket boosters, and the next day, they presented a
18 briefing about their solution to a panel of expert judges; and

19 WHEREAS, With her team's third-place finish, Ms. Wolfe
20 received an educational grant sponsored by the U.S. Air Force STEM
21 Program and the United Launch Alliance; after graduating in May
22 2017, she plans to attend Oklahoma State University and study civil
23 engineering; and

24 WHEREAS, Through her fine performance on the national stage,

1 this notable young Texan has garnered the respect of her classmates
2 and fellow competitors, and the confidence, skills, and experience
3 she has gained in the StellarXplorers program will be of great use
4 to her in her future endeavors; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
6 Legislature hereby congratulate Connor Wolfe on placing third in
7 the 2017 StellarXplorers III National High School Space Challenge
8 as a member of the Graham High School Rocketeer Steers and extend to
9 her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Ms. Wolfe as an expression of high regard by the Texas
12 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2100

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2100 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House