

By: Craddick

H.R. No. 2221

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The members of the Klondike High School FFA homesite  
2 evaluation team distinguished themselves by placing first at the  
3 66th Annual National Land and Range Judging Contest, held in  
4 Oklahoma City May 2-4, 2017; and

5           WHEREAS, In the homesite evaluation competition, students  
6 are tasked with assessing the suitability of various types of land  
7 for building sites, sanitation systems, impoundment structures,  
8 and lawns; participants must consider a number of factors in making  
9 their judgment, including the permeability of the subsoil, the  
10 slope of the land, and the amount of surface runoff; and

11           WHEREAS, The Klondike team consisted of juniors Kelby  
12 O'Brien, Jayden Coleman, Brianna Beck, and Price Cooper; under the  
13 expert guidance of their advisor, Todd Gregory, and retired FFA  
14 advisor Danny Beck, the team compiled a total score of 1,126 to beat  
15 out 49 other squads; and

16           WHEREAS, In addition to claiming the national title, three of  
17 the team's members were ranked among the top 11 competitors in the  
18 country for their individual point counts; having earned a perfect  
19 score, Mr. O'Brien finished second following a tiebreaker for first  
20 place, and Mr. Coleman and Ms. Beck placed 9th and 11th,  
21 respectively; and

22           WHEREAS, The group's victory enabled Klondike FFA to repeat  
23 as national champions, as the school's previous homesite team  
24 prevailed at nationals last year; at that contest, the current

1 lineup of Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Coleman, Ms. Beck, and Mr. Cooper  
2 competed in the land evaluation event, earning fifth-place honors;  
3 and

4 WHEREAS, The members of the Klondike FFA homesite evaluation  
5 team have become a source of great pride to their school with their  
6 triumph at the National Land and Range Judging Contest, and the  
7 skill and dedication they have demonstrated herald a future bright  
8 with promise; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby congratulate the Klondike High School FFA  
11 homesite evaluation team on its first-place finish at the 66th  
12 Annual National Land and Range Judging Contest and extend to all  
13 those associated with the team sincere best wishes for continued  
14 success; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for the Klondike FFA chapter as an expression of high  
17 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.