

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The robotics team from Bushland High School reached
2 the pinnacle of success by winning the University Interscholastic
3 League Class 1A-4A FIRST Tech Challenge state championship held at
4 the Austin Convention Center on May 20, 2017; and

5 WHEREAS, Sponsored by the FIRST in Texas Foundation, the
6 FIRST Tech Challenge provides middle and high school students with
7 opportunities to design, build, program, and operate robots while
8 also developing important STEM skills; and

9 WHEREAS, After their impressive performance at the regional
10 level, the students from Bushland High advanced to the state
11 tournament, where they earned third place in the preliminaries;
12 they entered the semifinal and final rounds in an alliance with
13 fellow Panhandle school Kelton STEAM Academy, and together the two
14 teams dispatched their opponents, going undefeated in both sets of
15 matches and claiming the championship title; and

16 WHEREAS, Benefiting from the able guidance of coaches Melissa
17 Cochran and Kenny Miller, the Bushland High team received valuable
18 contributions from the four members of its roster: Jack Smalligan,
19 Hunter Miller, Mason Reed, and Justin Cochran; and

20 WHEREAS, With their fine showing at the state contest, the
21 members of the Bushland High robotics team have demonstrated
22 tremendous skill, initiative, and an enduring commitment to
23 excellence, and they are a source of great pride to their school and
24 community; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
2 Legislature hereby congratulate the Bushland High School robotics
3 team on winning the 2017 UIL FIRST Tech Challenge state
4 championship and extend to its members sincere best wishes for
5 continued success; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for the squad as an expression of high regard by the Texas
8 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2660

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2660 was adopted by the House on May 29, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House