## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 783

WHEREAS, Figure skater Ian Rawn of Plano has distinguished himself by placing fourth in his age division at the 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, held March 14-25 in Austria; and

WHEREAS, The only Texan competing in the games, Ian Rawn was among nearly 2,700 athletes from 105 nations to take part in the event, which featured contests in nine different winter sports; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Dallas Figure Skating Club, Mr. Rawn began skating in 2008 and now spends about nine hours each week perfecting his skills on the ice; this inspiring Texan has trained as a Special Olympics global messenger and has served on the board of Special Olympics Texas; he also enjoys coaching the Richardson Roadrunners basketball team and volunteering with the Dallas Fire Rescue Explorers program; and

WHEREAS, With his fine showing at the 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games, Ian Rawn has proudly represented his state and nation in international competition, and he may indeed take justifiable pride in his outstanding accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby congratulate Ian Rawn on his fourth place finish at the 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

 $\tt RESOLVED$  , That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. Rawn as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Taylor of Collin

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 15, 2017.

Member, Texas Senate

Secretary of the Senate