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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Team 7421C Flaming Phoenix from Westbrook Intermediate School in Friendswood achieved great distinction with its outstanding performance at the Live Remote VEX Robotics World Championship, held May 17-29, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Certified by Guinness World Records as the largest online robot championship, this year's VEX event featured more than 1,400 middle school and high school teams from over 30 countries and 49 U.S. states; participants competed virtually in live-streamed matches designed to test their knowledge of science and engineering principles while also improving their teamwork, leadership, and problem-solving skills; and

WHEREAS, Demonstrating tremendous ingenuity and hard work, Flaming Phoenix claimed the Technology Division Design Award in the VEX Robotics Competition Middle School Division; and

WHEREAS, Under the guidance of robotics teacher and coach Justin Maronge, the Westbrook Intermediate team received valuable contributions from each of its members: James Gonzalez, Benjamin Thomas, and Jonathan George; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Flaming Phoenix are a source of great pride to their families and their community, and their stellar performance at the VEX Robotics World Championship is indeed deserving of special recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate the Westbrook Intermediate School Flaming Phoenix team on its achievements at the 2021 Live Remote VEX Robotics World Championship and extend to all those associated with the team sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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