By: Fierro H.R. No. 77

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The unified floorball team of J. M. Hanks High
- 2 School in El Paso has qualified to represent the United States at
- 3 the 2022 Special Olympics World Winter Games; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Consisting of special education students and
- 5 general education students, the Hanks UKnighted team won gold in
- 6 the qualifying round that took place in San Antonio in February
- 7 2020; that triumph earned the squad the opportunity to travel to
- 8 Kazan, Russia, where the World Winter Games will be held in January
- 9 2022; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Under the guidance of head coach Ricardo Rodriguez,
- 11 the Hanks UKnighted players have become a source of pride for El
- 12 Paso residents; members of the local community have shown their
- 13 support for the team and for the Special Olympics mission by
- 14 assisting the students in raising funds so that they may join the
- 15 more than 2,000 Olympians who will compete in Russia; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The Hanks UKnighted athletes have demonstrated
- 17 remarkable skill and dedication, and they are sure to represent
- 18 their city, state, and nation with great distinction at the Kazan
- 19 games; now, therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 21 Legislature hereby congratulate the Hanks High School unified
- 22 floorball team for qualifying for the 2022 Special Olympics World
- 23 Winter Games and that all those associated with the team be extended
- 24 sincere best wishes for success; and, be it further

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