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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The 12th annual Austin Capitol Congressional Debate  
2           Tournament is taking place at the State Capitol on November 30,  
3           2023; and

4           WHEREAS, Sponsored by State Representative Rafael Anchía,  
5           the tournament provides more than 200 high school students from  
6           across Texas with the opportunity to showcase their public speaking  
7           and debate skills; participants are divided into three sections,  
8           novice, house, and senate, and they assume the role of lawmakers  
9           while debating mock legislation written by fellow students; each  
10          finalist will receive a medal, and the top competitors will be  
11          awarded gavels; and

12          WHEREAS, This year's tournament has benefited from the able  
13          leadership of its directors, Donna Szumila of THEO Christian  
14          Solution, Inc., and Brian Alford of A&M Consolidated High School,  
15          as well as its liaisons, Gus A. and Amelia S. Perez; and

16          WHEREAS, The Austin Capitol Congressional Debate Tournament  
17          is equipping young Texans with valuable skills and experiences  
18          while helping to prepare the next generation of leaders, and it is a  
19          pleasure to join in recognizing all those involved in this  
20          noteworthy competition; now, therefore, be it

21          RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
22          Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby commemorate the 12th annual  
23          Austin Capitol Congressional Debate Tournament and extend to the  
24          organizers and participants sincere best wishes for a successful

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1 and memorable event.