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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Chambers County Sheriff's Office
2 Explorers achieved great distinction with their exceptional
3 showing at the Space City Explorer Challenge, hosted by the Houston
4 Police Department on March 29, 2025; and

5 WHEREAS, Individuals between the ages of 14 and 21 are
6 eligible for the Explorer program, which provides educational and
7 leadership training as well as community service opportunities that
8 help equip youth with the skills necessary to become engaged and
9 productive citizens; the CCSO Explorers and teams from the
10 San Antonio Police Department, the Dallas Police Department, and
11 the Harris County Sheriff's Office joined other posts from across
12 Texas at the annual contest; participants are tested on their
13 knowledge, teamwork, and practical skills as they compete in
14 realistic law enforcement-based events, including search warrant
15 of a residence, burglary in progress, intoxicated driver, and
16 officer down; and

17 WHEREAS, Demonstrating impressive professionalism and
18 discipline, CCSO Explorers Kam Carter, LilliAnn Dueitt, Cameron
19 Gonzales, and Ian Nix excelled in three categories, placing first
20 in arrest/search warrant, third in burglary in process, and third
21 in intoxicated driver; the CCSO initiative benefits from the
22 mentorship of Sergeant Brian Orlando and Deputy Mariana Avalos as
23 well as the support of county District Attorney Cheryl Lieck Henry
24 and Sheriff Brian Hawthorne, who has hired a number of former

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1 Explorers for positions in his department; and

2 WHEREAS, Through their hard work and commitment to
3 excellence, the CCSO Explorers have brought great pride to their
4 community, and they are truly deserving of special recognition for
5 their accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate the Chambers County Sheriff's
8 Office Explorers on their outstanding performance at the 2025 Space
9 City Explorer Challenge and extend to these fine young Texans
10 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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