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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the 52 students of  
4 Niles North High School who competed and took first place in  
5 the regional Illinois Junior Academy of Science Fair Contest;  
6 and

7           WHEREAS, The 52 Niles North High School students who  
8 competed in the contest were members of the STEM Inquiry and  
9 Research (SIR) class and/or the Researchers and Investigators  
10 of the Tomorrow (RIOT) Club; 36 of the 49 projects that were  
11 entered in the contest qualified for the IJAS State Exposition  
12 on May 6 and 7, 2011 at the University of Illinois in  
13 Champaign-Urbana; and

14           WHEREAS, Niles North High School's victory marks the 21st  
15 consecutive year that the school has taken first place in the  
16 contest; and

17           WHEREAS, Among the students who competed, Best in Category  
18 plaques were awarded to Elan Ness-Cohn for aerospace science,  
19 Jeffrey Gaynes for biochemistry, Naveen Kanji for cellular and  
20 molecular, Haley Sproull for chemistry, Joshua Lipshultz for  
21 computer science, Olivia Altmayer and Monica Rosenberg for  
22 consumer science, Jacob Cohn for environmental science, Alvina

1 Shaikh for health science, Micah Beller for material science,  
2 Krystine Hoang and Alexis Lehrman for microbiology, Reena Patel  
3 for physics, and Ayana Jamal for zoology; in addition, Naveen  
4 Kanji, Ayana Jamal, Joshua Lipschultz, and Elan Ness-Cohn were  
5 selected to participate in the Intel International Science and  
6 Engineering Foundation, the world's largest pre-college  
7 celebration of science, while Damiana Andonova and Ayana Jamal  
8 were awarded the William Gonas Award for having the top two  
9 papers submitted in the Paper Session competition - senior  
10 division; and

11 WHEREAS, The Niles North High School students who competed  
12 in the contest are Alvina Shaikh, Ariella Hoffman-Peterson,  
13 Arshila Merchant, Asad Qureshi, Ashley Thomas, Athanasia  
14 Giannetos, Ayana Jamal, Basil Alias, Cyatharine Alias, Damiana  
15 Andonova, Diana Kumar, Eddie Reinfranck, Elan Ness-Cohn,  
16 Emmanuelle Asrow, Emre Erel, Evan Sturt, Faisal Bari, Gideon  
17 Horberg, Haley Bublely, Haley Sproull, Hamza Mahmood, Hillary  
18 Bartman, Iris Schwartz, Jacob Cohn, James Gilbert, Jeffrey  
19 Gaynes, Joshua Lipschultz, Julia Bentkowska, Kristine Hoang  
20 and Alexis Lehrman, Lindsay Pietz, Maggi Kreisheh, Marta  
21 Lemesh, Micah Beller, Mohammed Hasan, Naveen Kanji, Nida  
22 Fayyaz, Noah Zeidman, Olivia Altmayer and Monica Rosenberg,  
23 Quynh Nguyen, Reena Patel, Regina Roberg, Reny Mathew, Richmond  
24 Toy, Rupal Desai, Sara Beladi, Sara Karnes and Miriam Prosnitz,  
25 Valeriya Volodarskaya, Zachary Oppenheimer, and Zain Lakhani;

1 the SIR teacher is Jacki Naughton and the RIOT Club sponsors  
2 are Jacki Naughton, Lisa McKenna, Heidi Eichler, and Katherine  
3 France; and

4 WHEREAS, These bright young men and women serve as models  
5 of hard work, integrity, and dedication for the people of the  
6 State of Illinois; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
8 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
9 we congratulate the students of Niles North High School who  
10 competed and took first place in the regional Illinois Junior  
11 Academy of Science Fair Contest and wish them continued success  
12 and happiness in the future; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the students as a symbol of our esteem and  
15 respect.