

House Resolution 1473

By: Representative Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Gilmer High School robotics team; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Gilmer High School robotics team, also known as GEARS (Gilmer  
3 Engineering and Robotics), is heading to the state FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) competition  
4 after a stellar performance in a qualifying event at Athens Academy that won them the PTC  
5 Design Award; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the team consists of students in Michael Shawler's Applied Physics class and  
7 is in its inaugural year at Gilmer High School; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the team has been designing, building, and testing a robot that can accomplish  
9 the tasks required for this year's FTC competition; and
- 10 WHEREAS, at the qualifier, participating robots were required to fit into an 18 inch sizing  
11 cube at the beginning of the round but could expand to any size during the match; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the team's phenomenal performance is a clear indication of the outstanding  
13 dedication, hard work, and the unity of purpose and spirit of each member of the team; and
- 14 WHEREAS, as this magnificent team earned its well-deserved reputation for excellence by  
15 performing with courage and precision over months of designing and building, it is  
16 abundantly proper to call them champions.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
18 the members of this body commend the members of the Gilmer High School robotics team  
19 for their PTC Design Award win, applaud them for their months of hard work and dedication  
20 which enabled them to qualify to compete in the state FIRST Tech Challenge, and extend to  
21 them best wishes on all their future academic endeavors.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
23 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Gilmer High School  
24 robotics team.