House Resolution 431 By: Representative Willard of the 51st

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating and commending the Centennial High School Model United Nations team

2 on its national and state achievements; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Model United Nations is an opportunity for students to step into the shoes of 4 ambassadors from United Nations member states to debate current issues on the 5 organization's vast agenda; and

6 WHEREAS, these student ambassadors must draft resolutions, plot strategy, negotiate with
7 supporters and adversaries, resolve conflicts, and intensely navigate the rules of procedure
8 of the United Nations, as applied in the United Nations bodies, all in the interest of
9 mobilizing "international cooperation" to resolve problems that affect almost every country
10 on Earth; and

- 11 WHEREAS, there are numerous competitions around the world for students to showcase
- 12 their skills and compete against each other; and

13 WHEREAS, the Harvard Model United Nations competition is the oldest, largest, and most

- 14 prestigious United Nations simulation for high school students held in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, Centennial High School team members Eric Beeler, Monica Bhatia, Trisha
 Dalapati, Nikki Frieman, Brooke Gillman, Anna Mazzuckelli, Caroline McCall, Anna
 Squires, Ken Taylor, and Jenny Wang competed against over 3,000 students from around the
 world at the Harvard Model United Nations competition; and

19 WHEREAS, the Centennial High School delegation placed first in this prestigious20 international competition; and

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- 21 WHEREAS, the following members also took individual honors: Eric Beeler and Anna
- 22 Mazzuckelli won Best Delegate awards; and Monica Bhatia, Trisha Dalapati, Nikki Frieman,
- 23 and Caroline McCall received Honorable Mention awards; and

WHEREAS, Centennial High School team members Ben Bradley, Ellie Bramel, Nate
Bramel, Juan Fonseca, Sarah Hanson, Brittany Helliar, Adrian Hoefer, Erin Hoffer, Ryann
Khalil, Hannah Kitzmiller, Dasha Kolpakova, Sarah Maitland, Erin McCall, Jacob
McConaghie, Chris Robb, Mateen Saki, Sohil Shyamsundar, Austin Skorb, Emma Smith,
Tim Taylor, Jake Truax, and Nikhil Vallahhaneni competed against over 300 students at the

29 University of Georgia Model United Nations Conference; and

WHEREAS, the Centennial High School delegation placed first in this prestigious regionalcompetition; and

WHEREAS, the following members also took individual honors: Ben Bradley, Nate Bramel,
Sarah Hanson, Brittany Helliar, Hannah Kitzmiller, Jacob McConaghie, and Nikhil
Vallahhaneni received Distinguished Delegate awards; Nate Bramel, Juan Fonseca, Hannah
Kitzmiller, and Emma Smith received Best Position Paper awards; Emma Smith received
Best Delegate award; and Juan Fonseca received an Honorable Mention award; and

- WHEREAS, these achievements are the result of rigorous academic study and training and
 the leadership of the team's faculty advisors, Dr. Eric Medwed and Mr. Chad Hoge; and

39 WHEREAS, these achievements showcase the exemplary abilities of Georgia students.

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that 41 the members of this body congratulate the Centennial High School Model United Nations 42 team on its exceptional accomplishments and meritorious victories, commend the team 43 members on being outstanding representatives of the students of the State of Georgia, and 44 extend their most sincere wishes for the team's future success.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized46 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Centennial High School.