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Recognizing and celebrating students who overcome immeasurable adversity
to excel academically.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FATTAH submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Education and the Workforce

RESOLUTION

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immeasurable adversity to excel academically.

Whereas the United States of America was founded on the
principles of fair competition, collaboration, and equal op-
portunity;

Whereas the preparation of young people for success in the
21st century and beyond is the primary objective of
America's public education system;

Whereas a high-quality, highly competitive education for all
students is imperative for the economic growth and pro-
ductivity of the United States;

Whereas a well-educated populace is critical to the Nation's
political and economic well-being and national security;

Whereas all students in public elementary schools and secondary schools must have access to an equitable and effective education in order to succeed;

Whereas students across America work hard every day, overcoming substantial barriers to their academic achievement;

Whereas individuals, communities, schools, and families succeed in the face of great odds to secure educational opportunity for American children; and

Whereas continued academic excellence in every community is vital to American progress and global competitiveness:
Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) commends those students who have risen
3 above the obstacles to their success, both internal
4 and external;

5 (2) recognizes the contributions of families,
6 schools, and communities in student achievement;

7 (3) encourages all students to continue to work
8 hard and strive for excellence;

9 (4) congratulates Hollywood for meeting the
10 challenge of positively depicting young people in
11 film; and

12 (5) recognizes the talents of Laurence
13 Fishburne, Angela Bassett, Keke Palmer, and Doug
14 Atchison for the portrayal of an American edu-

- 1 cational success story in the newly released movie,
- 2 Akeela and the Bee.

