

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The University of Texas at Arlington Movin' Mavs
2 continued their tradition of excellence by winning the 2021
3 National Wheelchair Basketball Association men's intercollegiate
4 championship, claiming the school's ninth title; and

5 WHEREAS, Coming off a season cut short by the COVID-19
6 pandemic, the Movin' Mavs joined the other top collegiate
7 competitors on March 12 and 13 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama; in the
8 semifinals, the UTA team defeated Southwest Minnesota State
9 University by a score of 61-50 to punch its ticket to the NWBA
10 finale; and

11 WHEREAS, Squaring off against a talented team from the
12 University of Alabama with the title on the line, the Movin' Mavs
13 once again proved to be unstoppable; the squad took charge early,
14 building a double-digit lead by intermission; in the second half,
15 the UTA defense held strong, and when the buzzer sounded, the Movin'
16 Mavs triumphed by a final score of 66-51 to collect another national
17 crown; the team received an additional honor when the City of
18 Arlington declared March 30 as UTA Movin' Mavs National Champions
19 Day; and

20 WHEREAS, Freshman Amit Vigoda was named tournament Most
21 Valuable Player after leading all scorers in the final with 26
22 points; excelling with a true team effort, the Movin' Mavs also
23 received essential contributions throughout the year from the other
24 members of the roster: Issac Lipscomb, Vincent Dallaire, Corey

1 Wilson, Bryce Cruz, Logan Saenz, Carrington Marendes, Ramiro
2 Cortez, Aaron Summerill, Alex Hummer, Issac Hummer, and Jakob
3 Gorton; these dedicated athletes benefited from the leadership of
4 head coach Douglas Garner and the support of trainer Shelly Taketa
5 and interns Julia Berrones and Riley Nix; and

6 WHEREAS, In winning a ninth championship, the UTA Movin' Mavs
7 have burnished their status as a basketball dynasty, and their
8 accomplishments are a source of great pride to the university and to
9 the team's many supporters in the Arlington community; now,
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
12 Legislature hereby congratulate The University of Texas at
13 Arlington Movin' Mavs on winning the 2021 National Wheelchair
14 Basketball Association intercollegiate championship and extend to
15 the team's athletes, coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for
16 continued success; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for the Movin' Mavs as an expression of high regard by the
19 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 910

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 910 was adopted by the House on May 8, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House