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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The baseball team from Magnolia West High School
closed out an unforgettable season by winning the 2023 University
Interscholastic League 5A state championship; and

WHEREAS, Following an outstanding regular season in which 4 5 they lost just four games on their way to winning the District 21-5A championship, the Mustangs carried their stellar play into the 6 7 postseason with consecutive two-game sweeps of Killeen, Pflugerville, Lake Belton, and Barbers Hill High Schools; after 8 9 losing the opener against Montgomery Lake Creek, Magnolia West responded with a 4-2 win, and the team went on to secure its spot in 10 11 the state tournament with a 6-2 triumph in the decisive game of the 12 series; and

13 WHEREAS, The Mustangs shut out Frisco Reedy High School in 14 the semifinals by a score of 3-0 to easily advance; competing for the crown on June 10 at Dell Diamond in Round Rock, the Magnolia 15 16 West players took the field against Argyle High School in what proved to be a nail-biting showdown; the Mustangs snapped a 17 18 scoreless deadlock with a bases-clearing single in the top of the sixth, and clutch pitching and defense the rest of the way allowed 19 the team to clinch a 3-2 victory and to take home the first baseball 20 21 state championship trophy in school history; and

22 WHEREAS, Excelling with a true team effort, the Mustangs 23 received valuable contributions throughout the year from each 24 member of the roster, and the players benefited from the guidance of

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1 head coach Travis Earles and his staff; and

2 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the 3 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering 4 commitment to excellence, and these talented student-athletes will 5 treasure the memory of this accomplishment for the rest of their 6 lives; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 8 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate the Magnolia 9 West High School baseball team on winning the 2023 UIL 5A state 10 championship and extend to the players, coaches, and staff sincere 11 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 13 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas 14 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 4 was adopted by the House on July 13, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House