H.R. No. 106

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Northside Lions football team of Conroe closed 2 out an unforgettable year by winning the 2023 American Homeschool 3 Football Championship on November 18; and

WHEREAS, Established in 2009, the Northside Sports Association offers student-athletes who are homeschooled or attend private or charter schools the opportunity to play football in a competitive league environment; and

8 WHEREAS, In the course of the 2023 campaign, Northside went 9 undefeated in the regular season and claimed the Texas Homeschool 10 Football state championship by defeating the Dallas HSAA Angels on 11 November 4; and

12 WHEREAS, The Lions then advanced to the inaugural American 13 Homeschool Football Championship national tournament in Mobile, 14 Alabama; after besting the Grand Valley Patriots from Michigan on November 16, Northside took the field against the Georgia Force 15 Blue Knights two days later to battle for the title; relying on 16 their stifling defense and explosive offense, the Lions emerged 17 triumphant by the final score of 34-6; with the victory, the team 18 clinched its first football national championship and ended with a 19 20 perfect 13-0 record; and

21 WHEREAS, Northside was paced by running back and linebacker 22 Karston Jergenson, the tournament Most Valuable Player, and he was 23 joined on the All-Tournament Team by Kole Alexander, Joseph 24 Buchanan, Kohein Jergenson, and Ethan McMillan; throughout the

1

H.R. No. 106

1 year, the Lions received vital contributions from each member of 2 the roster, and these dedicated student-athletes benefited from the 3 guidance of head coach Mike Helmer and his staff; and

WHEREAS, Through countless hours of hard work and an unwavering commitment to excellence, the Northside Lions realized their season-long goal of becoming national champions, and their accomplishments are a source of great pride to their many supporters in the community; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 10 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate the Northside 11 Lions of Conroe on winning the 2023 American Homeschool Football 12 Championship and extend to the players, coaches, and staff sincere 13 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

Toth

2

H.R. No. 106

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 106 was adopted by the House on December 5, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House