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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Judson High School Unified Special Olympics team
- 2 reached the pinnacle of success by winning the 2023 Unified
- 3 Basketball University Interscholastic League state championship;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, Competing on March 6 in San Antonio, Judson battled
- 6 for the state crown against the talented team from Huntsville High
- 7 School; the Rockets turned in an exceptional performance, emerging
- 8 triumphant by the final score of 33-24 to claim their inaugural
- 9 state title; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Excelling with a true team effort, the Rockets
- 11 received valuable contributions from each member of the roster;
- 12 these determined student-athletes benefit from the leadership of
- 13 head coach Amy Paul, an adaptive physical education teacher who
- 14 serves as the Judson Independent School District head of delegation
- 15 for Special Olympics; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Judson is in its second year of participation with
- 17 Unified Champion Schools, a UIL-sanctioned Special Olympics
- 18 program that works in partnership with the U.S. Department of
- 19 Education to promote inclusion and acceptance among students with
- 20 and without intellectual disabilities; moreover, the initiative
- 21 fosters the principles of respect, dignity, and unity while
- 22 empowering youth to create a supportive environment on campus; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the
- 24 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering

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- 1 commitment to excellence, and the Judson Rockets are a source of
- 2 great pride to their families, their school, and their many
- 3 supporters in the community; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby congratulate the Judson High School Unified
- 6 Special Olympics team on winning the 2023 Unified Basketball UIL
- 7 state championship and extend to the players, coaches, and staff
- 8 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for the Rockets as an expression of high regard by the
- 11 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 687 was adopted by the House on April 5, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House