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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Hitchcock High School boys' basketball team 2 closed out a historic campaign by winning the 2023 University 3 Interscholastic League 3A state championship; and

WHEREAS, Hitchcock began its journey to the title with an 4 5 impressive run in the regular season, winning the district crown with a perfect record of 14-0 against league opponents; continuing 6 7 to excel in the playoffs, the Bulldogs dispatched Shepherd, Diboll, Orangefield, Lorena, and New Waverly High Schools to earn the 8 9 school's fourth state tournament appearance; with a 69-36 blowout victory against Hooks High School in the semifinals, the team 10 punched its ticket to the state finale for the first time since 11 12 2003; and

13 WHEREAS, On March 11, Hitchcock battled for the title against 14 Childress High School; the Bulldogs trailed early in the first quarter but led 28-20 at halftime and stymied their foe's comeback 15 16 attempt in the third frame; holding a six-point advantage entering the fourth quarter, the team erupted on offense, going on a 14-3 run 17 to seal the outcome; emerging triumphant by the final score of 18 68-45, the Bulldogs claimed the program's inaugural 19 20 championship; and

21 WHEREAS, Hitchcock was led by Championship Game Most Valuable 22 Player Damien McDaniel, who was joined by Lloyd Jones III and Elijah 23 Sherwood on the 3A All-Tournament Team; the Bulldogs also received 24 valuable contributions throughout the year from the other members

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- 1 of the roster: Isaac Garza, Kelshaun Johnson, Taron Elam, Bryce
- 2 Dorsey, Tahara Goins Jr., Kamari McNeal, Tyler Crear, Trevor
- 3 Gregory, and Jayden Saxton-Rivera; these determined
- 4 student-athletes were ably guided by head coach Christopher
- 5 Jordan-Foster and assistant coaches Rogers Davis and Lloyd Jones;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the
- 8 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering
- 9 commitment to excellence, and the Hitchcock Bulldogs will treasure
- 10 the memory of this accomplishment for the rest of their lives; now,
- 11 therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 13 Legislature hereby congratulate the Hitchcock High School boys'
- 14 basketball team on winning the 2023 UIL 3A state championship and
- 15 extend to the players, 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 Bulldogs as an expression of high regard by the
- 19 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1110 was adopted by the House on April 18, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House