

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The XFL professional football league resumed play in  
2 2023, and the city of Arlington and nearby areas are integral to its  
3 operations; and

4           WHEREAS, The new owners of the XFL, actor Dwayne Johnson,  
5 Dany Garcia, and RedBird Capital Partners, purchased the league  
6 after the COVID-19 pandemic forced the cancellation of the 2020  
7 season; on July 25, 2022, they selected Arlington to serve as the  
8 location of the XFL headquarters; moreover, the Dallas-Fort Worth  
9 area was chosen as a center of operations for all of the league's  
10 franchises; and

11           WHEREAS, Since the opening of the 2023 season, the eight XFL  
12 teams practice at local venues in North Texas during the week before  
13 flying to games in the league's host cities; as a result of this  
14 innovative "hub" arrangement, more than 400 players train and  
15 receive medical care in the area, and the Metroplex also serves as a  
16 content creation center, giving teams and players an opportunity to  
17 build personal brands and engage with fans through social media and  
18 in-person events; the facilities utilized by the league include  
19 Choctaw Stadium in Arlington as well as fields operated by the  
20 Mansfield, Carroll, and Northwest Independent School Districts;  
21 and

22           WHEREAS, Understanding Texans' deep love of football, the XFL  
23 has located three of its eight teams in the Lone Star State, and  
24 each benefits from the leadership of head coaches who have enjoyed

1 notable success on the gridiron; the Arlington Renegades are led by  
2 Bob Stoops, the Houston Roughnecks are guided by Wade Phillips, and  
3 the San Antonio Brahmas are under the direction of Hines Ward; the  
4 league is also earning well-deserved attention for the essential  
5 role played by co-owner Dany Garcia, the first woman to own an equal  
6 or majority ownership stake in a major professional sports league  
7 in the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, The launch of this latest version of the XFL is an  
9 exciting development for football fans across the country, and  
10 Arlington and the larger North Texas area provides an outstanding  
11 location for the league's players, coaches, and staff to live and  
12 thrive; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
14 Legislature hereby congratulate the XFL football league on the  
15 opening of its headquarters in Arlington and extend to all those  
16 associated with the league sincere best wishes for the future; and,  
17 be it further

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

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H.R. No. 1130

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1130 was adopted by the House on April 18, 2023, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House