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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The boys' wrestling team from Tascosa High School in Amarillo proved itself one of the best in Texas by winning the 5A championship at the 2023 University Interscholastic League Wrestling State Tournament; and

5 WHEREAS, On February 17 and 18, the Rebels joined the other top high school teams at the state meet in Cypress; turning in an 6 7 exceptional performance, the Tascosa wrestlers posted a total team score of 112 points, outdistancing runner-up Lucas Lovejoy High 8 9 School by three points to claim the title; the victory was an important milestone in the history of the Rebel wrestling program, 10 11 providing the boys' team with its inaugural UIL state championship; 12 and

WHEREAS, Tascosa was led by gold medalist Andres Suarez, who clinched the crown in the 165-pound weight class, and by silver medalists Landin Lamberth at 157 pounds and Noah Santiago at 144 pounds; additionally, Thomas Pacheco and Ethan Sims secured bronze medals in their respective 132-pound and 113-pound divisions; the Rebels were also represented at state by Kaden Ford, Anthony Smith, and Jaxon Johnson; and

20 WHEREAS, These talented student-athletes benefit from the 21 strong leadership of head coach Joe Stafford and his staff; now in 22 his 15th year at Tascosa High, Coach Stafford was honored during the 23 2022-2023 season as the Region I-5A Coach of the Year; furthermore, 24 Rebels assistant coach Nick Herrmann was named the regional

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1 Assistant Coach of the Year; and

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2 WHEREAS, The Tascosa High Rebels demonstrated admirable 3 skill and determination in winning the state championship, and 4 memories of this exemplary accomplishment will resonate with their 5 fellow students and their many supporters in the local community 6 for years to come; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 8 Legislature hereby congratulate the Tascosa High School boys' 9 wrestling team on winning the 5A championship at the 2023 UIL 10 Wrestling State Tournament and extend to the athletes, coaches, and 11 staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 13 prepared for the Rebels as an expression of high regard by the Texas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1956 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House