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R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

13 WHEREAS, Tascosa was led by gold medalist Andres Suarez, who
14 clinched the crown in the 165-pound weight class, and by silver
15 medalists Landin Lamberth at 157 pounds and Noah Santiago at 144
16 pounds; additionally, Thomas Pacheco and Ethan Sims secured bronze
17 medals in their respective 132-pound and 113-pound divisions; the
18 Rebels were also represented at state by Kaden Ford, Anthony Smith,
19 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

1 Assistant Coach of the Year; and

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
14 House of Representatives.