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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proudly representing its community throughout the
2 2022-2023 season, the Booker T. Washington High School boys'
3 basketball team distinguished itself by advancing all the way to
4 the University Interscholastic League 4A state championship game on
5 March 11 at the Alamodome in San Antonio; and

6 WHEREAS, The Golden Eagles enjoyed a stellar regular season,
7 compiling a 15-1 record against their league rivals and claiming
8 the District 21-4A crown; they continued to excel in the playoffs,
9 dispatching Taylor, Gatesville, Houston Yates, and Center High
10 Schools to reach the regional final; there, the team defeated
11 Silsbee High 78-70 and punched its ticket to the state semifinals
12 for the first time since 1952, when the school was a member of the
13 Prairie View Interscholastic League; and

14 WHEREAS, Opening the state tournament against Boerne High
15 School, the Golden Eagles rallied from a one-point halftime deficit
16 to triumph by a final score of 75-69 and earn a berth in the finals;
17 the Washington players made a strong showing in the title contest
18 against defending state champion Oak Cliff Faith Family Academy but
19 ultimately finished as the 4A runner-up, concluding their
20 unforgettable season with an overall record of 29 wins and 8 losses;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Excelling with a true team effort, the Golden Eagles
23 received valuable contributions throughout the year from each
24 member of the roster, and these talented and hardworking athletes

1 benefited from the guidance of head coach Vincent Grayson and his
2 staff; and

3 WHEREAS, The members of the Booker T. Washington Golden
4 Eagles basketball team have demonstrated exceptional dedication
5 and an unwavering commitment to excellence, and they are a source of
6 great pride to their school and to their many loyal supporters in
7 the local area; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
9 Legislature hereby congratulate the Booker T. Washington High
10 School boys' basketball team on advancing to the 2023 UIL 4A state
11 championship game and extend to the players, coaches, and staff
12 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for the Golden Eagles as an expression of high regard by
15 the Texas House of Representatives.