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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Athletes from the El Paso Special Needs Athletic
- 2 Group 915 Stars achieved great distinction with their exceptional
- 3 performances in the soccer competition and individual events at the
- 4 Special Olympics Texas 2023 Summer Games, held in San Antonio from
- 5 May 18 to 21; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The Group 915 Stars offer individuals with special
- 7 needs who are out of the school system the opportunity to continue
- 8 playing sports within the Special Olympics framework; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Joining other talented competitors from across
- 10 Texas, a Group 915 Stars soccer team finished at the top of the
- 11 Group A standings to claim the gold medal and the No. 1 ranking in
- 12 the state; in addition, a second Stars soccer squad earned first
- 13 place in Group D, and two athletes collected medals in individual
- 14 events; and
- WHEREAS, With their fine showing at the 2023 Summer Games,
- 16 the members of the Group 915 Stars have become a source of great
- 17 pride to their families and to their community, and they are indeed
- 18 deserving of recognition for the skill and dedication they have
- 19 demonstrated; now, therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature
- 21 hereby congratulate the El Paso Special Needs Athletic Group 915
- 22 Stars on their medal-winning performances in soccer and other
- 23 competitions at the Special Olympics Texas 2023 Summer Games and
- 24 extend to the athletes and coaches sincere best wishes for

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- 1 continued success; and, be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 3 prepared for the Group 915 Stars as an expression of high regard by
- 4 the Texas Senate.