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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 2003-2004 Baylor University Lady Bears
2 basketball team advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Division I
3 Women's Basketball Championships for the first time in the
4 program's history; and

5 WHEREAS, The Lady Bears led the Big 12 in scoring with 77.3
6 points a game, outscoring opponents by 16.3 points a game;
7 defensively, the team held opponents to just 60.9 points a game and
8 a 36 percent shooting mark; and

9 WHEREAS, Seeded fourth in the Midwest Region, the Lady Bears
10 charged through the tournament's early rounds, defeating Loyola
11 Marymount 71-60 and taking care of Florida 91-76; the team
12 ultimately suffered a narrow 71-69 loss to top seed Tennessee in the
13 round of 16; and

14 WHEREAS, Head coach Kim Mulkey-Robertson, who has guided her
15 Baylor squad to its fourth straight 20-win season, ably schooled
16 her players in the finer points of basketball while also
17 emphasizing the virtues of good sportsmanship and academic
18 excellence; she was supported in these efforts by associate head
19 coach Bill Brock, assistant coach Johnny Derrick, assistant coach
20 Jennifer Roberts, and graduate assistant Rekha Patterson; and

21 WHEREAS, Dedicated to excellence both individually and as a
22 team are players Monique Jones, Chelsea Whitaker, Chanelle Fox,
23 Jessika Stratton, Chameka Scott, Jordan Davis, Tiffanie Blackmon,
24 Melanie Hamerly, Sophia Young, Abiola Wabara, Steffanie Blackmon,

1 Dionne Brown, and Emily Niemann; and

2 WHEREAS, These talented young women have achieved a level of
3 excellence on the hard court that is unparalleled in the history of
4 Baylor women's basketball, and they are a tremendous source of
5 pride for the community; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
7 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate the players
8 and coaches of the Baylor University Lady Bears basketball team for
9 reaching the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball
10 Championships and extend to them sincere best wishes for future
11 success and happiness; and, be it further

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