## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Southlake Carroll High School Dragons football team has achieved the pinnacle of success by winning the 2002 UIL Class 5A, Division II, state championship in their first year of competition in that classification; and

WHEREAS, Although the team had staged dramatic comebacks during their march through the playoffs, Southlake Carroll needed no last-second heroics in the championship game, where they overwhelmed Spring Branch Smithson Valley High School 45-14 to claim the coveted crown; and

WHEREAS, A gridiron powerhouse at the 3A level, Southlake Carroll confounded football prognosticators and pollsters who had predicted little success for the Dragons during the 2002 campaign; and

WHEREAS, Head coach Todd Dodge, with his coaches and staff, provided exceptional leadership and guidance to his young athletes, enabling them to make Texas high school football history by becoming the first team ever to win a state championship in their inaugural year in a new UIL classification; and

WHEREAS, The Southlake Carroll High School Dragons football team, along with the school's band, drill team, crew, and cheerleaders, is a source of great pride to its many supporters in the community, and it is indeed appropriate that the team receive special legislative recognition for its remarkable achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas hereby congratulate the members of the Southlake Carroll High School football team for their commitment to excellence and their willingness to work hard in pursuit of their goal, which resulted in the 2002 UIL Class 5A, Division II, state championship; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the team members and coaching staff as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

