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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Arp High School boys' basketball team captured the school's first state title by winning the University Interscholastic League 2A State Championship on March 11, 2006; and WHEREAS, The Arp Tigers proved their mettle throughout the regular season and won their place in the state semifinals by upsetting the top-ranked Kountze Lions, the defending state champions, in a masterful exhibition of defensive basketball; and

8 WHEREAS, After besting their semifinal opponent, Arp 9 grappled with a determined Ponder High School team in the state 10 finals; displaying the same pluck and precision that had seen them 11 through the rest of the season, the Tigers overcame a first-half 12 deficit to claim a 65-49 victory and take home the coveted state 13 title; and

14 WHEREAS, In posting an impressive 32-4 record for the season, 15 the Tigers were driven by the contributions of each member of their talented team: seniors Brandon Battiste, Mark Gill, Charles Holder, 16 Tommy Reese, and Wes Wills, juniors Kendal McClendon and Zack 17 18 Spears, and sophomores Sedrick Johnson, Trumaine Jones, Christopher Keith, and Corey Walker; and 19

20 WHEREAS, Head coach Brian Keith and assistant coach Justin 21 Hunley gave these young men a thorough how-to in hardwood 22 fundamentals and also taught them the importance of conducting 23 themselves with pride and dignity; and

24 WHEREAS, A state championship can only be won through

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dedication and hard work, and this moment of glory will forever be a proud moment in the history of Arp High School and in the lives of the 11 players who so proudly wore the school's maroon and white; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas, 6 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate the Arp High School boys' 7 basketball team for winning the UIL 2A State Championship and 8 extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it 9 further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas 12 House of Representatives and Senate.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 15 was adopted by the House on April 18, 2006, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 15 was adopted by the Senate on April 20, 2006, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor