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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Friendswood High School Lady Mustangs
2 basketball team has achieved another winning season, an
3 accomplishment owed in no small part to their primary source of
4 inspiration, Neal McClaugherty; and

5 WHEREAS, After charging through the regular season, the Lady
6 Mustangs demonstrated the skill and physical stamina necessary to
7 win the District 23-4A title for the eighth consecutive year; ably
8 led by head coach Dena Russo, the members of this championship team
9 include Chelsea Edwards, Tina Brown, Holli Jo Wood, Jenna Cline,
10 Adrienne Meengs, Ana Viscariello, Molly Black, Kacey Grisham, Katie
11 Fenn, Alex Davenport, and Shaina Berry; the team was also supported
12 by managers Paige Ellsworth, Kimberley Williamson, and Neal
13 McClaugherty; and

14 WHEREAS, Team manager Neal McClaugherty, who has cerebral
15 palsy and is a quadriplegic, has provided special support and
16 motivation to the team; since starting high school, Mr.
17 McClaugherty has not missed a single district game; in addition, he
18 has given a boost to his teammates with his rendition of the
19 National Anthem as well as his notable half-time demonstration of
20 shooting a basketball; and

21 WHEREAS, The members, managers, and coach of the Friendswood
22 High School girls' basketball team are a source of tremendous pride
23 to the faculty and students at the school and to their supporters in
24 the community, and they are most deserving of praise for their

1 significant achievements on and off the basketball court; now,
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
4 Legislature hereby commend Coach Dena Russo and the Friendswood
5 High School Lady Mustangs on their outstanding season and recognize
6 the extraordinary contributions of team manager Neal McClagherty;
7 and, be it further

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