

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 939

WHEREAS, Head coach and assistant athletic director Clyde Hart of Baylor University has established one of the premier track and field programs in the nation; and

WHEREAS, A 1956 graduate of Baylor University, Coach Hart has coached 466 All-American athletes during his 42-year career at Baylor; his men's team consistently places in the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Top 10, and the women's squad regularly generates National Collegiate Athletic Association All-Americans as well as national and conference champions; and

WHEREAS, Known for producing multiple Olympic gold medal winners, Coach Hart trained world-renowned athlete Michael Johnson, who won gold in the individual 400-meter race at the 1996 and 2000 Summer Olympics; he was followed by Jeremy Wariner, who earned gold in the 400-meter individual race and then won the 1,600-meter relay with Baylor teammate Darold Williamson at the 2004 Summer Olympics; and

WHEREAS, Coach Hart has been named the 1996 and 2004 Coach of the Year by the United States Olympic Committee, the 1989 and 1996 National Collegiate Athletic Association Indoor Coach of the Year, and the 2004 Nike Coach of the Year by USA Track and Field; he has been inducted into the USA Track and Field Coaches Association Hall of Fame, the Texas Sports Hall of Fame, and the Baylor University Hall of Fame and Wall of Honor; and

WHEREAS, For his many achievements, Coach Hart became the first living person to have a facility named after him at Baylor,

where the track team competes in the Hart-Patterson Track and Field Complex; a man who possesses a remarkable combination of experience, knowledge, and motivational expertise, Coach Hart brings out the best in his athletes, and he makes immeasurable contributions to their abilities to compete and win at the highest levels; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Coach Clyde Hart for his unparalleled success as the track and field head coach at Baylor University and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Coach Hart as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 18, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate