By: Frost H.R. No. 1365

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Liberty-Eylau Leopards of Texarkana topped the Robinson Rockets in December 2006 to claim the UIL Division 1-3A State Football Championship, and the team's victory set off a

unique celebration in the "Twice as Nice" city; and

WHEREAS, Positioned on the Texas-Arkansas border, Texarkana is home to Texans and Arkansans alike, and football fans from each state were fortunate to witness championship wins on both sides of the state line in 2006; and

WHEREAS, The Leopards, who finished the season with an impressive 13-2 record, joined the Arkansas High School Razorbacks in winning a coveted state title; this marks the first time in Texarkana's history that high school championships have been simultaneously held by a team from Texas and a team from Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, Considered underdogs for most of the season, the Leopards silenced their critics with a memorable display of gridiron excellence; head coach Pat Brady and his team earned the school's second state football championship by relying on teamwork and a commitment to football fundamentals throughout the demanding season; and

WHEREAS, Texarkana's Texan citizens are justifiably proud of the Liberty-Eylau Leopards football team, and the city's entire population can undoubtedly appreciate the historic achievement of Texarkana's two reigning state football champions; now, therefore,

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- 1 be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby congratulate Coach Pat Brady and the
- 4 Liberty-Eylau Leopards on winning the 2006 UIL Division 1-3A State
- 5 Football Championship and extend best wishes to the many
- 6 individuals who contributed to this impressive accomplishment;
- 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.