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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A successful sports leader who has long been part of
2 the football program at Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Richard
3 Cundiff stepped down as head coach at the end of the 2006 season,
4 concluding a distinguished 21-year career with the university; and

5 WHEREAS, Coach Cundiff, who previously served as an assistant
6 coach and defensive coordinator, guided the Javelinas to an
7 impressive 52-28 record over the course of his seven years as head
8 coach; during that time, the team won four Lone Star Conference
9 championships and advanced to two NCAA semifinal games; and

10 WHEREAS, Twice selected as LSC Coach of the Year, Richard
11 Cundiff was just the seventh head coach in the school's 86-year
12 history, and his .704 winning percentage ranks third all-time; he
13 came to the university in 1985, having previously coached at the
14 high school and collegiate levels for several years, including
15 three years at Baylor University; and

16 WHEREAS, Coach Cundiff earned his master's degree from
17 Grambling State University, where he served as an assistant coach
18 under the legendary Eddie Robinson, and he received his bachelor's
19 degree from Lincoln Memorial University in Tennessee; the Virginia
20 native garnered all-state recognition in football, basketball,
21 baseball, and track during his high school years, and he went on to
22 play baseball and basketball in college; and

23 WHEREAS, The players and staff at Texas A&M
24 University-Kingsville will undoubtedly miss the coaching talents

1 and strong leadership of this esteemed man, yet he has instilled in
2 his team a commitment to teamwork and football fundamentals that
3 has prepared them well for all future challenges; now, therefore,
4 be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
6 Legislature hereby recognize Coach Richard Cundiff for his service
7 as head coach of the Javelinas football team of Texas A&M
8 University-Kingsville and extend best wishes to him for continued
9 success in all his endeavors; and, be it further

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