

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 804

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Robert M. Capello, Sr., for his many years of coaching excellence; and

WHEREAS, Head basketball coach at Edcouch-Elsa High School, Coach Capello has amassed 920 career victories; and

WHEREAS, A 1960 graduate of Edcouch-Elsa High School, he led the football team to a perfect 10-0 record as quarterback and was named to the all-state team; he earned degrees from Texas A&I College, Sam Houston State University, and Sul Ross State University; and

WHEREAS, Coach Capello began his coaching and teaching career at Mission High School in 1965; he coached at Barbers Hill High School, Lyford High School, Donna High School, Thomas Jefferson High School in Port Arthur, and Uvalde High School before returning to coach the Yellow Jackets at his alma mater; and

WHEREAS, Coach Capello's basketball teams have made state playoff appearances 20 times in the last 25 seasons and have won seven district championships in the last eight years; he has been named district coach of the year 10 times, and he has twice been selected as Rio Grande Valley Coach of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Coach Capello has influenced generations of young athletes, imbuing his teams with the importance of discipline, perseverance, and sportsmanship; on May 14, 2005, in recognition of his many contributions, the gymnasium at Edcouch-Elsa High School was dedicated in his honor and named the Robert Capello, Sr., Gymnasium; he truly deserves recognition for his many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Robert M. Capello, Sr., on his outstanding accomplishments and extend to him best wishes in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem 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 April 23, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate