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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The softball team of Smithson Valley High School in

2 Spring Branch reached the pinnacle of success by winning the 2009 University Interscholastic League 5A state championship with a 3 victory in the June 6 title game at Red McCombs Field in Austin; and 4 5 WHEREAS, After advancing through the playoffs to reach the state tournament, the Rangers claimed the 5A crown in a pair of 6 7 hard-fought games, winning both their semifinal game against Plano East High School and their championship matchup over Pearland High 8 9 School by 1-0 scores; the team compiled an overall record of 30-5 and concluded the season with a thrilling string of 21 straight 10 11 games without a defeat; and 12 WHEREAS, The 2009 championship continues Smithson Valley's 13 tradition of excellence in softball competition; the Rangers have 14 taken 12 consecutive district titles and have won 116 games in a row against district opponents, an astonishing run that extends all the 15 16 way back to 2002; and WHEREAS, Succeeding with a true team effort, Smithson Valley 17 18 received essential contributions from each member of the roster: Paige Hamilton, Samantha Ohlenbusch, Katie Repole, Ashley Freeman, 19 20 Maris Medina, Bailey Watts, Marina Northup, Cassie Tysarczyk, 21 Kayla Booker, Michelle Sorenson, Katrina Massey, and Whitney Repole; these determined athletes were guided by head coach Wayne 22 23 Daigle and assistant coaches Lisa Daigle and Ted Constanzo; and

WHEREAS, The 2009 Rangers put together an unforgettable

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- 1 season that distinguished them as one of the finest high school
- 2 softball teams in the Lone Star State, and their triumph will be a
- 3 continuing source of pride for the players and their many
- 4 enthusiastic supporters for years to come; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 6 Legislature, 1st Called Session hereby recognize that the Smithson
- 7 Valley High School softball team be congratulated on winning the
- 8 2009 University Interscholastic League 5A state championship and
- 9 that the athletes and coaches be extended sincere best wishes for
- 10 continued achievement.
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 13 House of Representatives.