RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, In an outstanding display of skill and
- 2 determination, the Lady Leopards volleyball team from Lovejoy High
- 3 School in Lucas captured the University Interscholastic League 3A
- 4 state championship on November 22, 2008; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Their title-game victory came after three
- 6 hard-fought sets against the Lady Lions of Brownwood High School
- 7 and brought a triumphant end to a spectacular season in which the
- 8 team notched 40 wins and just 5 losses; Lovejoy's achievement was
- 9 all the more impressive given that there were no seniors on the
- 10 squad; moreover, the school is a relative newcomer to volleyball,
- 11 having competed at the varsity level for just two seasons; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Several Lovejoy players received individual
- 13 accolades for their exceptional play in 2008, with Natalie Puckett
- 14 being named to the all-area team and Andie Malloy, Lauren McDaniel,
- 15 Courtney Ray, Kate Turner, and Tyler Bradsher being selected for
- 16 the 13-3A all-district team; in addition, Ms. Puckett was named the
- 17 district most valuable player while Ms. Turner and Ms. Bradsher
- 18 were named defensive player of the year and setter of the year,
- 19 respectively; and
- 20 WHEREAS, The Lady Leopards also received vital contributions
- 21 from the other members of the team: Becki Kendall, Addason Lamb,
- 22 Whitney Stevens, and Brennan Roehrig; and
- WHEREAS, Head coach Ryan Mitchell provided the squad with
- 24 assured guidance throughout the regular season and the playoffs,

- 1 inspiring his players to realize the dream of a state title; his
- 2 efforts earned him the coach of the year honor from the Dallas
- 3 Morning News; he was ably supported by assistant coaches Kristin
- 4 Moss, Dena Goddard, and Jeff Kear, head athletic trainer Quentin
- 5 Oliphant, and athletic trainer Susan Smiley; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the
- 7 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering
- 8 commitment to teamwork, and the student athletes of the Lady
- 9 Leopards volleyball team may indeed reflect with pride on a job well
- 10 done; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 12 Legislature hereby congratulate the Lovejoy Lady Leopards
- 13 volleyball team on winning the UIL 3A state championship for 2008
- 14 and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and,
- 15 be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 18 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 334 was adopted by the House on February 26, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House