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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Renowned Texas quarterback Vince Young is in the
2 midst of a promising professional career as a member of the
3 Tennessee Titans of the National Football League, and his return to
4 the Lone Star State during the 2009 off-season provides a welcome
5 opportunity to pay tribute to his exceptional achievements; and

6 WHEREAS, A Houston native, Mr. Young first gained widespread
7 attention while at James Madison High School; a commanding presence
8 as quarterback of the Marlins, he was named the Texas High School
9 Player of the Year in 2001 and was recruited by top college teams
10 throughout the nation; and

11 WHEREAS, Choosing to play college ball at The University of
12 Texas at Austin, Mr. Young took over at quarterback as a redshirt
13 freshman and went on to post a career record of 30 wins and just two
14 losses as the Longhorns' starter; equally dangerous as a passer and
15 a runner, he also proved himself an assured leader with an
16 undeniable will to win; his determination was made unmistakably
17 clear in the 2006 Rose Bowl, when he engineered an astounding
18 late-game comeback and scored the winning touchdown on a dramatic
19 eight-yard run with just 19 seconds on the clock to give UT the
20 national championship; and

21 WHEREAS, This phenomenal athlete was drafted in the first
22 round by the Tennessee Titans in 2006, and he wasted little time in
23 proving that he had what it takes to be a star in the NFL; he took
24 charge of the team in the fourth game of the season, and by the end

1 of the 2006 campaign, he had transformed a struggling squad into a
2 contender that just narrowly missed the playoffs; in recognition of
3 his inspired play, he was named the Associated Press NFL Offensive
4 Rookie of the Year; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2007, Mr. Young took up where he left off, helping
6 his team to post a record of ten wins and six losses and guiding them
7 to a spot in postseason play; he racked up impressive personal
8 statistics along the way, passing for more than 2,500 yards and
9 running for nearly 400; though he was slowed by an injury in 2008,
10 Mr. Young is looking forward to further NFL glory in the seasons
11 ahead, and he may rest assured that his successes will be heartily
12 celebrated by the many Texans who proudly support this great Lone
13 Star quarterback; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
15 Legislature hereby honor Vince Young for his outstanding play at
16 the college and professional levels and extend to him sincere best
17 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
19 prepared for Mr. Young as an expression of high regard by the Texas
20 House of Representatives.