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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, In a season-long demonstration of teamwork and 2 determination, the 2009 Lyford High School softball team claimed 3 district, bidistrict, and area championships and advanced to the 4 regional semifinal round of the University Interscholastic League 5 playoffs; and

6 WHEREAS, The Lady Bulldogs turned in a solid performance 7 during the regular season to win the 32-3A district crown and 8 received a first-round bye in the postseason; they then matched up 9 with Pearsall High School and triumphed in a dramatic three-game 10 series to become area champs; a victory over the team from Ingleside 11 High School earned the Lyford players a spot in the regional 12 semifinals, where they ultimately fell to Sweeny High School; and

13 WHEREAS, Finishing with an overall record of 26 wins and 9 14 losses, the Lady Bulldogs proved that they could compete with the 15 other top 3A teams in the Lone Star State, and they may look with 16 optimism toward next season, when all but two of this year's players 17 will return to once again pursue the state title; and

18 WHEREAS, Relying on a true team effort during the 2009 19 campaign, Lyford received vital contributions from each member of 20 the roster: Michelle Romo, Alex Sauceda, Marissa Chavez, Lexi 21 Lopez, Nanette Salinas, Maria Lopez, Annie Garcia, Jackie Esparza, 22 Krystal Rodriguez, Renee Chavez, Jillian Flores, Rebecca Mendez, 23 Katrina Zamorano, Marlena Rivera, and Miranda Perez; and

24 WHEREAS, These skilled athletes were guided by head coach

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1 Eloy Perez, who completed his first year at the helm of the Lady 2 Bulldogs in 2009; essential input was also provided by assistant 3 coaches Lyrissa Molina and Petey Garcia; and

WHEREAS, Inspired by their many ardent supporters, the Lyford players and coaches combined for an exceptional season, and the team's spirited performances on the ball field were a source of great pride in the local community; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 9 Legislature hereby congratulate the Lyford High School Lady 10 Bulldogs softball team on its achievements during the 2009 season 11 and extend sincere best wishes to the players and coaches for 12 continued success; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 14 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas 15 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2656 was adopted by the House on May 31, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House