H.R. No. 2656 By: Rios Ybarra

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, In a season-long demonstration of teamwork and 2 determination, the 2009 Lyford High School softball team claimed district, bidistrict, and area championships and advanced to the 3 regional semifinal round of the University Interscholastic League 4 5 playoffs; and 6 WHEREAS, The Lady Bulldogs turned in a solid performance during the regular season to win the 32-3A district crown and 7 received a first-round bye in the postseason; they then matched up 8 with Pearsall High School and triumphed in a dramatic three-game 9 series to become area champs; a victory over the team from Ingleside 10 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 other top 3A teams in the Lone Star State, and they may look with 15

optimism toward next season, when all but two of this year's players 16

will return to once again pursue the state title; and 17

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

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
- 5 players and coaches combined for an exceptional season, and the
- 6 team's spirited performances on the ball field were a source of
- 7 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.