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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Meredith Kate Bell has distinguished herself 2 throughout her college athletic career as a member of The 3 University of Texas at Tyler softball team; and

WHEREAS, This versatile player has excelled in a number of 4 5 positions for the Patriots and was named to the All-Conference Team for the American Southwest Conference three times, once as a 6 7 catcher, once as a designated player, and once for her performance at first base; Ms. Bell also earned a spot on the ASC All-Conference 8 Tournament Team each year from 2007 through 2009 and was an NCAA 9 All-Region Team honoree as a sophomore in 2007 and as a senior in 10 11 2009; and

12 WHEREAS, Her final year of collegiate competition proved 13 especially memorable for Ms. Bell; she racked up 14 home runs and 40 14 runs batted in and helped UT Tyler to claim the ASC championship; 15 moreover, the team went on to win the West Regional tournament and 16 contended for the national championship in the NCAA Division III 17 Softball College World Series in Montclair, New Jersey; and

18 WHEREAS, Ms. Bell's outstanding work with the Patriots is 19 clear from her statistics; she compiled a .327 career batting 20 average and an on-base percentage of .382 while accounting for 30 21 home runs; and

WHEREAS, The daughter of Keith and Annette Bell, Kate Bell I lives in Forney and graduated with a bachelor's degree in business management in 2009; she intends to pursue a graduate degree in her

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1 field and has been accepted into the master's program in business
2 administration at UT Tyler; and

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3 WHEREAS, An athlete possessing great skill and dedication, 4 Kate Bell has won the respect and admiration of her teammates and 5 competitors, and her notable contributions to the UT Tyler softball 6 squad will be remembered by Patriots fans for years to come; now, 7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 9 Legislature hereby congratulate Meredith Kate Bell on her 10 exceptional achievements as a member of The University of Texas at 11 Tyler softball team and extend to her sincere best wishes for 12 success in her future endeavors; and, be it further

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

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