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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The baseball team of Coronado High School in Lubbock
2 put together an exceptional season in 2011 as it made a thrilling
3 run through the University Interscholastic League playoffs to
4 finish as the runner-up in Class 5A; and

5 WHEREAS, A group of never-say-die competitors, the Mustangs
6 time and again proved their ability to come from behind to secure
7 key victories; after finishing in second place in District 2-5A
8 during the regular season, the team battled its way through the
9 playoffs, triumphing in four consecutive series after losing the
10 opening game; and

11 WHEREAS, With its win over Bell High on June 4, Coronado
12 headed for the state tournament for the first time since 1995; in
13 the semifinals, the Mustangs dominated defending champion Corpus
14 Christi Carroll 10-0 to earn a place in the title game, but they
15 fell one victory short of the state championship, losing to
16 Brazoswood in the June 11 final; and

17 WHEREAS, Demonstrating admirable teamwork, the Mustangs
18 received valuable contributions from each member of the roster:
19 Tyler O'Neill, Blake Hoffman, Christian Simmons, Paxton Bartley,
20 Colton Palmer, Dylan Dahl, Gunner Garry, Josh Narvaiz, Paxton De La
21 Garza, Brayden Blackwell, Herman Hernandez, Steven Parker, Clayton
22 Brown, Garrison Howard, Brennan Johnson, Bryson Mitchell, Zane
23 Ancell, Tyler Thorne, Greg Hewett, Zach Ancell, Griffin Arterburn,
24 Taylor Bridges, Landon Rousseau, Blake Bass, Jerome Bauersfeld,

1 Craig Grossman, and Chace Sarchet; and

2 WHEREAS, In addition to their commitment to the team, these
3 young athletes have devoted themselves to their studies; of the
4 senior members of the squad, 10 graduated with honors or high
5 honors; moreover, all 13 Mustangs who earned their diplomas in 2011
6 plan to continue their educations, and 8 of them will play sports at
7 the collegiate level; and

8 WHEREAS, The Coronado High team was guided by head coach Gary
9 Hix and assistant coaches Brandon Gilliland, David Arterburn, Brad
10 Bibb, and Shawn Hensley, and the players also benefited from the
11 efforts of team manager Geoffery Harvey; and

12 WHEREAS, By dedicating themselves to excellence and putting
13 in many hours of hard work, the Coronado Mustangs earned a place
14 alongside the finest teams in Texas, and their accomplishments are
15 a source of pride for their many supporters in the Lubbock
16 community; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
18 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate the Coronado
19 High School baseball team on its outstanding 2011 season and its
20 appearance in the UIL 5A state title game and extend to the team's
21 players, coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for continued
22 success; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for the Coronado Mustangs as an expression of high regard
25 by the Texas House of Representatives.