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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The boys' basketball team of Paducah High School
2 reached the pinnacle of success by claiming the University
3 Interscholastic League 1A Division II state championship with a
4 victory in the title game on March 12, 2011, at the Frank Erwin
5 Center in Austin; and

6 WHEREAS, Finishing the year with an outstanding record of 29
7 wins and just 6 losses, the Dragons took home their first state
8 crown since 1988; during the team's triumphant journey through the
9 playoffs, it defeated Ropesville, Ackerly Sands, Happy, and Anton
10 High Schools before besting Roxton High School in the semifinals;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, In the championship game against top-ranked Bronte
13 High, senior guard Andrew Hastings led the way for Paducah with 19
14 points, 18 of which came on three-point shots, and fellow senior
15 Lonnie Hurd added 10 points and 12 rebounds to help secure the 45-30
16 victory; in addition, valuable contributions to the team's success
17 were provided throughout the year by the other members of the
18 roster: Cliff Poteet, Trey McGruder, Garrett Thompson, Austin
19 Parton, Willie Cantrell, Devron Brisco, A. J. Cantrell, Cody
20 Austin, and Bobby Evans; and

21 WHEREAS, Ably guided by head coach Jay Cantrell and
22 assistant coaches Tyler Adams, Amy Bowles, and Johnny Willis, the
23 Dragons also received vital support from team managers Jeremiah
24 Deleon, Parker Hicks, Cole Parton, and Leslie Thomas; and

1 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship is the culmination of
2 countless hours of hard work and an unwavering commitment to
3 excellence, and these talented student-athletes will treasure the
4 memory of their accomplishment for many years to come; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate the boys' basketball team of
8 Paducah High School on winning the UIL 1A Division II state
9 championship and extend to the players, coaches, and staff sincere
10 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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