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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Henderson High School football team won the 2010
2 University Interscholastic League 3A Division 1 state championship
3 with a victory over Chapel Hill High School on December 10, 2010, at
4 Cowboys Stadium in Arlington; and

5 WHEREAS, In the title game, quarterback and offensive most
6 valuable player Del Barnes completed 18 of 23 passes for 147 yards,
7 connecting with Grayland Dunams and LaMarcus Brown for touchdowns,
8 while Cord Fletcher scored on a running play, building a 21-7
9 Henderson lead at halftime; Jay O'Neal delivered a clutch 47-yard
10 touchdown run to put the Lions up 28-14 late in the third quarter,
11 and when the final seconds ticked off the clock, the team claimed a
12 28-21 win and the state championship; and

13 WHEREAS, The Henderson defense played a key role in the
14 triumph, holding the formidable Chapel Hill team to less than 300
15 total yards, far below the 450 yards the Bulldogs had been averaging
16 throughout the season; the Lions registered nine sacks, including
17 four by defensive MVP Corey Fletcher and three by Jordan Leake, and
18 Mr. Leake also recovered a fumble; and

19 WHEREAS, Throughout this extraordinary season, head coach
20 Dickey Meeks provided exceptional guidance and inspiration to his
21 players, leading them to a 13-2 record; known as the "comeback team"
22 for its ability to reverse deficits, Henderson notched an
23 especially notable 35-32 victory against Pittsburg High School
24 midway through the season, after trailing 29-6 at halftime; and

1 WHEREAS, Winning a state title is the culmination of
2 countless hours of hard work and an unwavering commitment to
3 excellence, and these dedicated student-athletes may take
4 justifiable pride in their outstanding accomplishment; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate the Henderson High School Lions
8 football team on winning the 2010 UIL 3A Division 1 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.