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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The girls' water polo team of Ross S. Sterling High
2 School in Baytown captured its fourth consecutive Texas
3 Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association state championship
4 with a victory in the title game on April 16, 2011, at the Conroe
5 Independent School District Natatorium; and

6 WHEREAS, The Lady Rangers downed Clear Lake High School 10-4
7 to claim the championship, after previously beating Guyer, Tomball,
8 and Lamar High Schools by a combined score of 38-9 to qualify for
9 the final; and

10 WHEREAS, Team captain Madison Pepper was named the most
11 valuable player after tallying 10 steals, 8 assists, and 17 goals in
12 the tournament; other standout performances were made by Kaci New,
13 who had 16 goals and 8 assists, Eunice Alaniz, who had 4 goals, 9
14 assists, and 13 steals, and goalie Darla Vasquez, who blocked 49
15 shots in the four games, with 16 of them coming in the title
16 contest; Ms. New, Ms. Alaniz, and Ms. Vasquez were each named to the
17 All-State team; and

18 WHEREAS, Guided by coach T. J. Markiewicz, the 2010-2011 Lady
19 Rangers have furthered their school's tradition of excellence in
20 the sport; in addition to winning every state title since
21 2007-2008, the team has garnered a total of seven TISCA
22 championships over the past two decades; and

23 WHEREAS, This sustained success is a reflection of the
24 dedication and teamwork that are the hallmarks of Sterling High

1 water polo, and the achievements of this year's athletes are a
2 source of pride to their school and to their many supporters in the
3 local community; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
5 Legislature hereby congratulate the Ross S. Sterling High School
6 girls' water polo team on winning the 2010-2011 TISCA state
7 championship and extend to the players, coaches, and staff sincere
8 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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