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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Robert Griffin III was recognized as the best
2 college football player in the nation when he was named the winner
3 of the 2011 Heisman Trophy, an achievement that capped off his
4 exceptional career as the quarterback of the Baylor Bears; and

5 WHEREAS, Emerging as a gridiron star while a student at
6 Copperas Cove High School, Mr. Griffin led his team to the 4A
7 Division 1 title game in 2007, and he established a 25-4 record
8 during his two years as the quarterback of the Bulldawgs; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Griffin chose Baylor from among the many schools
10 that recruited him, and he became the team's number one signal
11 caller during the first game of his freshman year; one of the
12 youngest starting quarterbacks during 2008, he was named Baylor's
13 offensive MVP and was the recipient of a number of conference and
14 national freshman awards; and

15 WHEREAS, Following a sophomore season that was cut short by
16 injury, Mr. Griffin returned in top form in 2010, and he was honored
17 as the Big 12 Comeback Player of the Year as a result of his
18 accomplishments; he garnered numerous other accolades as well, and
19 his superb passing and running helped Baylor earn an invitation to
20 the Texas Bowl; and

21 WHEREAS, This dynamic athlete reached new heights of
22 excellence in 2011, when he accounted for 47 touchdowns and 4,992
23 yards of total offense; inspired by his leadership, the Bears had
24 their finest campaign in a quarter-century, tallying nine wins in

1 the regular season and ending the year with a victory in the Alamo
2 Bowl; and

3 WHEREAS, In addition to being the first Baylor player to
4 receive the Heisman Trophy, Mr. Griffin claimed two prestigious
5 quarterback honors, the Davey O'Brien and Manning Awards, and
6 several player of the year recognitions; the unforgettable 2011
7 season also helped him to rewrite the university record books; by
8 the time he concluded his college career to join the National
9 Football League, he had set new school marks in 46 different
10 categories; and

11 WHEREAS, Robert Griffin has earned a place of honor in the
12 roll call of Texas football greats, and his achievements are a
13 source of immense pride for the students, alumni, and supporters of
14 Baylor University, as well as for sports fans throughout the Lone
15 Star State; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas
17 hereby congratulate Robert Griffin III on winning the 2011 Heisman
18 Trophy and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success;
19 and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for Mr. Griffin as an expression of high regard by the
22 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.