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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Longtime high school baseball coach Bobby Moegle
2 received well-deserved recognition when he was inducted into the
3 Texas Sports Hall of Fame on February 18, 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, At the time of his retirement, Coach Moegle had
5 recorded more wins than any other baseball coach in the United
6 States, compiling 1,115 victories during his 40 seasons guiding the
7 team at Monterey High School in Lubbock; and

8 WHEREAS, Coach Moegle's tenure at Monterey began in 1960,
9 after he had spent three years as a player in the minor leagues with
10 the St. Louis Cardinals; he established a detail-oriented coaching
11 system that stressed fundamentals and teamwork, and he pushed his
12 players hard, inspiring them to reach their full potential; one of
13 his teaching tools was a written test with 263 questions that was
14 designed to help the players master strategy and communication;
15 nearly as famous as its creator, the exam has been on display at the
16 Texas Sports Hall of Fame since 1999; and

17 WHEREAS, Teams coached by this respected mentor reached the
18 state tournament 13 times, played in eight title games, and were
19 crowned state champion on four occasions, 1972, 1974, 1981, and
20 1996; over the course of his phenomenal career, Coach Moegle won 8
21 of every 10 games that he coached; in recognition of his
22 accomplishments, he earned one national coach of the year accolade
23 and three state honors; and

24 WHEREAS, Beyond the numbers, his success can be measured by

1 the positive effect he had on the lives of those he tutored; more
2 than 100 of the young men he coached secured college scholarships;
3 several reached the major leagues, and others have distinguished
4 themselves outside of athletics; the high regard in which he is held
5 by his players was made clear in 1997, when over 50 former Plainsmen
6 were on hand to honor their coach as Monterey High School renamed
7 its diamond Moegle Field; and

8 WHEREAS, With his exceptional ability to teach and inspire,
9 Bobby Moegle transformed the Monterey High School team into a
10 baseball dynasty while helping countless young athletes to succeed
11 on and off the field, and he has earned a place among the legendary
12 figures of Texas high school athletics; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
14 Legislature hereby congratulate Bobby Moegle on his induction into
15 the Texas Sports Hall of Fame and extend to him sincere best wishes
16 for the future; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for Coach Moegle as an expression of high regard by the
19 Texas House of Representatives.