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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The boys' basketball team of Fort Bend Travis High  
2 School in Richmond reached the pinnacle of success by winning the  
3 University Interscholastic League 5A state championship on March 9,  
4 2013, at the Frank Erwin Center in Austin; and

5           WHEREAS, The Tigers finished with a record of 33 wins and just  
6 5 defeats, and their impressive run through the postseason included  
7 victories over Houston Clear Lake, Pearland, Friendswood Clear  
8 Brook, Houston Westside, and Fort Bend Bush High Schools to secure a  
9 place in the state tournament; in the 5A semifinals, they scored a  
10 60-52 triumph over Richardson Berkner High School to advance to the  
11 title contest; and

12           WHEREAS, Matching up against South Grand Prairie High School  
13 with the championship on the line, Travis found itself in a  
14 hard-fought, low-scoring battle; the team received a major boost  
15 from Andrew Harrison, who scored 16 points and grabbed 9 rebounds in  
16 a performance that earned him the game's Most Valuable Player  
17 award; when the final buzzer sounded, the Tigers had claimed a 46-38  
18 win, and their celebration was all the sweeter because the team had  
19 fallen just short of its championship goal in 2012, when it lost in  
20 the tournament final; and

21           WHEREAS, Andrew Harrison was joined on the All-Tournament  
22 team by his twin brother, Aaron Harrison; the Tigers also received  
23 significant contributions throughout the season from the other  
24 members of the roster: John Burnett, Quinten Davis, Chris Idi,

1 Derrick Nwaneti, Efiom Ita, Nathan Bertness, Tyronne Jordan, Darion  
2 Roquemore, Juwan Williams, Daniel Chika, and David Tillman; and

3 WHEREAS, These dedicated competitors were ably guided by head  
4 coach Craig Brownson and assistant coaches Brett Nixon, Brian  
5 Martinez, Stanley Parker, and Michael O'Connor; additional support  
6 was provided by managers Josh Onuogu, Mark Taylor, and Juan Yanez  
7 and trainers Nia Lewis and Angel Tatlonghari; and

8 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship is the goal of every  
9 high school athlete; the hard work and skill demonstrated by the  
10 Travis High School players have enabled them to realize that dream,  
11 and they will treasure the memory of this outstanding  
12 accomplishment for many years to come; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
14 Legislature hereby congratulate the Fort Bend Travis High School  
15 boys' basketball team on winning the UIL 5A state championship and  
16 extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff sincere best  
17 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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