

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Demonstrating great teamwork, skill, and  
2 determination, the Waskom High School football team captured the  
3 University Interscholastic League 3A Division 2 state championship  
4 by winning the title game at AT&T Stadium in Arlington on December  
5 18, 2014; and

6           WHEREAS, With this outstanding victory, the Wildcats claimed  
7 their first state championship and closed out an unforgettable  
8 year; under the guidance of head coach Whitney Keeling, Waskom  
9 overcame an opening loss to triumph in all of its other regular  
10 season games, winning most contests by 20 points or more; the team  
11 was equally impressive in the playoffs, decisively besting its  
12 first four opponents and then overcoming Sonora High in a thrilling  
13 semifinal matchup; and

14           WHEREAS, In the championship final against Newton High  
15 School, the Wildcats took control with their commanding ground  
16 attack, running the ball for a total of 350 yards; meanwhile, the  
17 defense prevented Newton from scoring in the first and third  
18 quarters and put points on the board in the second half by forcing a  
19 fumble and returning it for a touchdown; when the final seconds  
20 ticked away, the Wildcats recorded a 41-22 victory and hoisted the  
21 3A Division 2 trophy; special honors went to offensive Most  
22 Valuable Player Kevin Johnson and defensive MVP Chan Amie; and

23           WHEREAS, The success enjoyed by Waskom in 2014 was the result  
24 of an exceptional team effort; each player and every member of the

1 coaching and support staff made valuable contributions that enabled  
2 the Wildcats to realize their goal of winning a state title; and

3 WHEREAS, In proving itself one of the finest football teams  
4 in the Lone Star State, the Wildcats of Waskom High School have won  
5 not only the state championship but also the admiration of their  
6 many supporters in the local community, and the players will  
7 forever treasure their memories of this admirable achievement; now,  
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby congratulate the Waskom High School Wildcats  
11 football team on winning the UIL 3A Division 2 state championship  
12 for 2014 and extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff  
13 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
16 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 707

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 707 was adopted by the House on March 12, 2015, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House