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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Kountze High School boys' basketball team
2 enjoyed an outstanding 2014-2015 season, winning the district title
3 and advancing all the way to the 3A semifinals of the University
4 Interscholastic League state playoffs; and

5 WHEREAS, Entering the postseason on a wave of momentum after
6 winning 11 consecutive games to close out the regular season, the
7 Lions began their playoff run by reeling off victories over
8 Hitchcock, Palestine Westwood, Hempstead, and Rockdale High
9 Schools; and

10 WHEREAS, In the regional final contest, the Kountze players
11 took the floor against Crockett High School and turned in a
12 commanding performance, winning 89-65 to punch their ticket to the
13 state tournament; there, the Lions saw their season come to an end
14 in a semifinal loss to Brock High School, concluding the year with a
15 record of 33 wins and 7 losses; and

16 WHEREAS, Aably guided by head coach Duane Joubert and
17 assistant coaches Joe Calhoun, Keithan Hancock, James Harper, and
18 Travis Tates, the Lions benefited throughout the season from a true
19 team effort, with valuable contributions coming from each member of
20 the roster: Teran Stanford, Justin Harper, Jaydon Cunigan, Dante
21 Carey, Dallion Edwards, Jeremiah Barker, Grayland Arnold, Tyrin
22 Rogers, Deontra Morgan, Michael Cole, Dadrian Akbar, Henry Barnes,
23 Marcus Hafford, and Vernon Thomas III; and

24 WHEREAS, The talented and hardworking student-athletes of

1 the Kountze High School boys' basketball team are a source of
2 tremendous pride to their classmates and their many supporters in
3 the local community, and their notable accomplishments on the
4 hardwood are indeed deserving of special recognition; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate the Kountze High School boys'
8 basketball team on reaching the UIL 3A state semifinals and extend
9 to the team's players, coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for
10 continued success; and, be it further

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