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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The D'Hanis High School girls' basketball team
2 enjoyed an exceptional 2014-2015 season, advancing all the way to
3 the semifinals of the University Interscholastic League 1A state
4 playoffs; and

5 WHEREAS, After claiming the District 31 title with their
6 stellar play against their league rivals, the Cowgirls started the
7 postseason with a dominating victory over Burton High School in the
8 area round and followed that performance with an exciting,
9 last-second win against Goodrich High School in the regional
10 quarterfinals; D'Hanis then topped Jonesboro High School in another
11 hard-fought game by a score of 39-35 to keep its thrilling playoff
12 run alive; and

13 WHEREAS, The Cowgirls proved up to the task once more in a
14 48-46 triumph over Coolidge High School in the regional finals,
15 storming back from a fourth quarter deficit to clinch the Region 4
16 crown and secure the second state tournament berth in school
17 history and the first since 1979; in its semifinal game, D'Hanis put
18 up a determined effort, but ultimately lost to Nazareth High School
19 to bring a memorable season to a close; and

20 WHEREAS, Aably guided by head coach Fred McCollum and
21 assistant coach Todd Craft, the Cowgirls benefited from the vital
22 contributions made throughout the year by each member of the team:
23 Crysta Salazar, Jacie Henefey, Sarah Craft, Elisa Nolasco, Morgan
24 Lynch, Ashley Philipp, Mallory McCollum, and Shelby Gayre;

1 additional assistance was provided by managers Hallie Lynch and
2 Jahnelin Costa; and

3 WHEREAS, The members of the Cowgirls basketball team have
4 become a source of tremendous pride to their many supporters in the
5 local community, and the hard work and dedication they have
6 demonstrated will continue to serve them well in the years to come;
7 now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
9 Legislature hereby congratulate the D'Hanis High School girls'
10 basketball team on its success during the 2014-2015 season and
11 extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff sincere best
12 wishes for continued achievement; and, be it further

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