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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Realizing their season-long goal of being the best 2 6A basketball team in Texas, the Plano West High School Wolves won 3 the University Interscholastic League state championship with a 4 victory on March 14, 2015; and

5 WHEREAS, The title game win closed out an unforgettable year in which Plano West went undefeated against its league rivals to 6 7 capture the district crown and then made an impressive run through the playoffs; the team recorded a commanding victory over Timber 8 Creek High School in the bi-district round before defeating Coppell 9 and Cedar Hill in closer contests; wins against Amarillo and Allen 10 11 and a semifinal triumph over MacArthur completed the team's advance 12 to the 6A title game; and

WHEREAS, Playing the team from Clear Lake High School in the 13 14 tournament final, the Wolves found themselves in a hard-fought battle; trailing throughout most of the game, the Plano West 15 16 players demonstrated their undeniable will to win by closing the gap in the second half, and a Wolves basket with 37 seconds 17 remaining tied the score at 52; then, with the fans on their feet in 18 the Alamodome, senior D. J. Hogg took control, dribbling to the top 19 20 of the key and beating the buzzer with a perfect shot that gave 21 Plano West a 56-54 triumph and earned Mr. Hogg the game's Most Valuable Player award; and 22

23 WHEREAS, The Wolves' success is a testament to the value of 24 teamwork, with outstanding contributions also being provided

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1 throughout the year by the other members of the roster: Mickey 2 Mitchell, Grant Betz, Soso Jamabo, Chris Giles, Waseem Limbada, 3 Japheth Mengistu, Derrick Aimes, Vezi Magalela, Jalen Stafford, 4 Christian Gans, Ryan Smith, Michael McGraw, Emeka Obukwelu, Level 5 Ramsey, and Tyler Davis; head coach Anthony Morgan and his staff 6 provided valuable guidance to the players, inspiring them to 7 perform to their full potential; and

8 WHEREAS, Demonstrating the talent and commitment of true 9 champions, the Plano West Wolves have become a source of great pride 10 to their school and community, and the memory of this season's 11 accomplishments will remain with them for years to come; now, 12 therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate the Plano West High School basketball team on winning the UIL 6A state championship and extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for the future; 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.

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