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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Trinity Christian School football team reached  
2 the pinnacle of success by winning the Texas Association of Private  
3 and Parochial Schools 3A state championship on December 6, 2014, in  
4 Corsicana; and

5           WHEREAS, With that outstanding victory, the Tigers claimed  
6 their first state championship since 1994 and completed a memorable  
7 season in which they compiled an impressive overall record of 13  
8 wins and just 1 defeat; bolstered by an explosive offensive attack  
9 and a punishing defense, Trinity Christian outscored its opponents  
10 632-148 over the course of the 2014 campaign; and

11           WHEREAS, The Tigers began their postseason run with  
12 dominating victories over Lubbock Christian School and Muenster  
13 Sacred Heart before clinching a berth in the title game with a 22-15  
14 win over Fort Worth Temple Christian in the semifinals; facing off  
15 against Bay Area Christian School in the 3A finale, Trinity  
16 Christian jumped out to an early lead and took a 21-9 advantage into  
17 the halftime break; the team increased its lead in a decisive third  
18 quarter and closed out the contest in the fourth quarter with a  
19 75-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Malachi Broadnax to wide  
20 receiver Jon Cole and an interception return for a touchdown by  
21 linebacker Tavione Carter; when the final seconds ticked away, the  
22 players celebrated a 54-18 championship triumph; and

23           WHEREAS, In their march to the state title, the Tigers  
24 received essential contributions from each member of the roster,

1 and these talented student-athletes received essential guidance  
2 from head coach Mike Helmer, who has taken his team to the  
3 championship final on four occasions during his tenure at Trinity  
4 Christian; and

5 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship is the culmination of  
6 countless hours of hard work and an unwavering commitment to  
7 excellence, and Tiger players and their many supporters in the  
8 community will treasure the memory of this outstanding  
9 accomplishment for many years to come; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
11 Legislature hereby congratulate the Trinity Christian School  
12 football team on winning the 2014 TAPPS 3A state championship and  
13 extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff sincere best  
14 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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