

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Port Neches–Groves High School baseball team
2 reached the pinnacle of success by winning the 2017 University
3 Interscholastic League 5A state championship on June 10 at the Dell
4 Diamond in Round Rock; and

5 WHEREAS, After claiming the District 22 and Region 3 5A
6 titles, the Indians embarked on a thrilling postseason run,
7 defeating teams from Humble, Manvel, Mont Belvieu Barbers Hill,
8 Tomball, and Brenham High Schools before earning a victory over
9 Frisco Wakeland High School in the semifinal round of the state
10 tournament; with that triumph, they set up a showdown against
11 Grapevine High School in the championship game; and

12 WHEREAS, In the title contest, the Indians took an early lead
13 with a pair of runs in the first inning, and they maintained their
14 momentum with a strong hitting performance and with solid pitching
15 and defense throughout the game, ultimately claiming a 4-2 win and
16 securing the state championship crown for the first time in the
17 school's history; and

18 WHEREAS, Posting an impressive overall record of 34 wins, 8
19 losses, and 2 ties, the Indians received valuable contributions
20 throughout the year from each member of the roster: Carson
21 Roccaforte, Courtland Sullivan, Jacob Vaughan, Hayden Guerra, Zach
22 Deckert, Cameron Stansbury, Dylan McGough, Logan Lejeune, Nathan
23 Vidrine, Austin Bost, Alec LeBouef, Brandon Petix, Braxton Boudoin,
24 Cameron Abate, Jamison Simmons, Zach Murdock, Trevor Martin, Hunter

1 Curtis, Austin Schaper, Zach White, Holden Lane, Brandon Morse, and
2 Josh Hranicky; the team was guided by head coach Scott Carter and
3 assistant coaches Norm Abshere, Chris McKeller, and Kane Segura;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the
6 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering
7 commitment to excellence, and the talented student-athletes of the
8 Port Neches-Groves High School baseball team may indeed reflect
9 with pride on their remarkable accomplishment; now, therefore, be
10 it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
12 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate the Port
13 Neches-Groves High School baseball team on winning the 2017 UIL 5A
14 state championship and extend to the team's players, coaches, and
15 staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 57

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 57 was adopted by the House on August 15, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House