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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Craig Yenzer is retiring as head football coach and 2 athletic coordinator at Midland High School in June 2017, drawing 3 to a close a notable career in school athletics that has spanned 4 nearly four decades; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Oklahoma State University in 5 1979, Craig Yenzer gained experience as a teacher and coach at 6 7 schools in Guthrie, Newkirk, and Tuttle, Oklahoma; his involvement in Texas high school football began when he was hired at Hereford 8 High School; he served as an assistant coach for a decade before 9 being promoted to head coach and athletic director, and his tenure 10 11 was highlighted by his team's appearance in the 4A Division 1 state 12 title game in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yenzer took over as the Midland High head coach 13 14 in 2002, and during his inaugural season, he piloted the Bulldogs not only to their first postseason berth in more than half a century 15 16 but also to an appearance in the state finals; the longest-serving and winningest head football coach in school history, he has 17 compiled an impressive overall record of 103 wins and 70 losses and 18 taken his team to the playoffs in 10 of his 15 seasons with Midland; 19 in addition, 72 of his student-athletes have gone on to play 20 21 football at the collegiate level; and

22 WHEREAS, Through his vision and leadership, Craig Yenzer has 23 helped build a proud tradition of gridiron excellence at Midland 24 High School, and he may reflect with pride on his many achievements

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1 as he embarks on the next exciting chapter of his life; now, 2 therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Craig Yenzer on his retirement as head football coach and athletic coordinator at Midland High School and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for Coach Yenzer as an expression of high regard by the 10 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 439 was adopted by the House on March 2, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House