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H.R. No. 439

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Craig Yenser 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

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

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

22           WHEREAS, Through his vision and leadership, Craig Yenser 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

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

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

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