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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Silsbee High School boys' basketball team
2 reached the ultimate level of achievement by winning the University
3 Interscholastic League 4A state championship on March 11, 2017, at
4 the Alamodome in San Antonio; and

5 WHEREAS, After collecting the district title with their
6 outstanding play in the regular season, the Tigers advanced through
7 the playoffs with victories against Huntington, Sour Lake
8 Hardin-Jefferson, Houston North Forest, Waco La Vega, Houston
9 Yates, and Argyle High Schools to set up a championship battle
10 against Brazosport High School of Freeport; and

11 WHEREAS, In the title contest, the Tigers trailed 39-36 at
12 halftime but went on a 33-point offensive frenzy in the third
13 quarter to take a 69-58 lead; they then held off Brazosport in the
14 final frame to capture the trophy by a final score of 89-83; the
15 triumph earned Silsbee High its first boys' basketball state crown
16 in school history and capped an unforgettable season in which the
17 squad compiled an impressive record of 33 wins and only 6 losses;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, The Tigers were led by sophomore guard Jordyn Adams,
20 who was named the championship game's Most Valuable Player after
21 tallying 26 points and 9 rebounds; he was joined on the
22 All-Tournament Team by fellow Silsbee standouts Braelon Bush, a
23 freshman guard, and Willie Jones, a senior forward; and

24 WHEREAS, The Silsbee High team also received valuable

1 contributions throughout the season from the other members of the
2 roster: Bruce Newton, Calvin Tyler, Michael McCain, Trajan Harris,
3 Adonis Thomas, Jadon Bass, Landyn Tyler, Chris Martin, Chris
4 Thomas, Decoby Jones, and Kalon Barnes; these determined athletes
5 were ably guided by head coach Joe Sigler and assistant coaches Ira
6 Brooks and James Collins; and

7 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the
8 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an enduring
9 commitment to excellence, and the Silsbee Tigers may take
10 justifiable pride in this noteworthy accomplishment; now,
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
13 Legislature hereby congratulate the Silsbee High School boys'
14 basketball team on winning the 2017 UIL 4A state championship and
15 extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff sincere best
16 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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