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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The boys' basketball team of Northland Christian 2 School in Houston enjoyed an outstanding 2016-2017 season, 3 advancing all the way to the Texas Association of Private and 4 Parochial Schools 4A state championship game on February 24, 2017; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, After compiling an impressive regular-season record 7 of 16 wins and 8 losses, the Cougars ended a 12-year drought in 8 postseason victories by dispatching opponents from Geneva School of 9 Boerne, St. Thomas' Episcopal School of Houston, and The Woodlands 10 Christian Academy; with this triumphant run, the team punched its 11 ticket to the finals for the first time in more than three decades; 12 and

WHEREAS, In the title contest, Northland squared off against the top-seeded Trinity Christian School of Lubbock; though they turned in a valiant effort, the Cougars ultimately fell short by a final score of 91-47, but three of the Northland players still earned All-Tournament honors; and

18 WHEREAS, The Cougars excelled with a true team effort 19 throughout the season, receiving valuable contributions from each 20 member of the roster; they also benefited from the able guidance of 21 head coach James Van Hook; and

WHEREAS, With their exceptional skill and unwavering commitment to excellence, the Northland Cougars earned a place among the top teams in Texas, and these dedicated competitors are a

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1 source of tremendous pride to their classmates and their many 2 supporters in the local community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate the Northland Christian School boys' basketball team on its memorable 2016-2017 season and extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1043 was adopted by the House on March 30, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House