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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Gunter High School football team reached the
2 pinnacle of success by winning the University Interscholastic
3 League 3A Division 2 state championship on December 15, 2016, at
4 AT&T Stadium in Arlington; and

5 WHEREAS, The Gunter Tigers entered the playoffs undefeated
6 through 10 regular season games, and they maintained their momentum
7 with a streak of double-digit victories over Jacksboro, Hooks,
8 Henrietta, Winona, and Canadian High Schools to earn their place in
9 the title contest against Boling High; and

10 WHEREAS, Dominating both sides of the ball, Gunter defeated
11 Boling by a score of 43-7, the largest margin of victory ever
12 recorded in a 3A Division 2 championship game, and these
13 outstanding student athletes capped off a perfect 16-0 season with
14 the first state crown in school history; and

15 WHEREAS, Colson Stovall rushed for 180 yards and four
16 touchdowns to claim Offensive Player of the Game honors, while
17 Peyton Lowe's team-leading six and a half tackles earned him
18 Defensive Player of the Game accolades; the Tigers also received
19 valuable contributions from the other members of the roster
20 throughout the year, and they greatly benefited from the able
21 guidance of head coach Jake Fieszal, who earned his 100th career
22 victory during the season; and

23 WHEREAS, In capturing their school's first state
24 championship, the members of the Gunter football squad demonstrated

1 remarkable teamwork, skill, and commitment to excellence, and they
2 are a source of tremendous pride to their many supporters; now,
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
5 Legislature hereby congratulate the Gunter High School football
6 team on winning the 2016 UIL 3A Division 2 state championship and
7 extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff sincere best
8 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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