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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Frisco Ice Hockey Association varsity gold team
2 reached the pinnacle of success by winning the USA Hockey High
3 School Division II Combined national championship held in
4 Cleveland, Ohio, on April 3, 2017; and

5 WHEREAS, After advancing to the quarterfinals in the 2016
6 tournament, the Frisco squad made a triumphant return, dispatching
7 teams from Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and Mitchell, Florida, to reach
8 the finals against Missoula, Montana; and

9 WHEREAS, In the title contest, Frisco was evenly matched in a
10 scoreless first period but took a commanding lead in the second
11 frame with goals by Julian Robidoux, Robert Langholff, Jacob
12 Plattner, and Chase Nies; Mr. Nies notched an additional point in
13 the last period, and with goaltender James Gillilan stopping all 27
14 opponent shot attempts in the game, Frisco went on to clinch the
15 trophy by a final score of 5-0; with the victory, the squad earned
16 the distinction of becoming the first Texas hockey team to win a
17 national championship; and

18 WHEREAS, Throughout the season, the group excelled with a
19 true team effort, also receiving valuable contributions from the
20 other members of the roster: Sullivan Sheahan, David Girardi, Luke
21 Lenhardt, Dylan Odelein, Andrew Cimino, Dustin Muriel, Blaise
22 Muriel, Connor Nehls, Christopher Wyse, Skylar Boughner, James
23 Wheeler, Nathan Mendez, Gabriel Henchey, Brendan Sinclair, and
24 Scott Mitchell; these talented athletes benefited from the skillful

1 guidance of head coach Ryan McLean; and

2 WHEREAS, Winning a national championship represents the
3 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering
4 commitment to excellence, and the members of the Frisco hockey team
5 will carry the memory of this remarkable accomplishment with them
6 for the rest of their lives; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate the Frisco Ice Hockey Association
9 varsity gold team on winning the 2016-2017 USA Hockey High School
10 Division II Combined national championship and extend to the
11 group's players, coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for the
12 future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for the squad as an expression of high regard by the Texas
15 House of Representatives.