

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 677

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Texas A&M University equestrian team, which has won the 2017 National Collegiate Equestrian Association national championship; and

**WHEREAS**, The fifth-seeded Aggies won their 12th national title, and first since 2012, by defeating Texas Christian University by a score of 16-0 in the semifinal round and the University of Georgia by a score of 11-5 in the final; and

**WHEREAS**, The Aggies began the semifinals with 4-0 shutouts by the reining and equitation over fences teams, and the horsemanship and equitation on the flat squads finished the sweep; the University of Georgia provided a stiffer test, but the Aggies took an early 3-1 lead on the flat, led 6-2 after horsemanship, clinched the title by winning three matches in the reining event, and added victories over fences to complete the meet; and

**WHEREAS**, Under the exceptional leadership of head coach Tana McKay, the Aggies have developed exceptional teamwork and discipline; and

**WHEREAS**, Texans in College Station and across the state are proud of the Texas A&M University team members for their hard work and their impressive skills; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby extend congratulations to the Texas A&M University equestrian team on winning the 2017 National Collegiate Equestrian Association national championship; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the team as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 26, 2017.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate