SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 853

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Valley High School track team, which won the 2017 University Interscholastic League Class 1A state championship; and

WHEREAS, Valley High School won its first state championship on the strength of record-setting performances in the 3200 meter race, the 1600 meter race, the 800 meter race, and a first place finish in the 4×200 meter relay; and

WHEREAS, These student athletes demonstrated great talent and perseverance over the course of the year, and they can take great pride in their outstanding performance; team members are Jake Merrell, Adrian Espinoza, Joe Carrera, Dax Allen, Jayton Smith, Juan Villarreal, and Tristen Schlueter; and

WHEREAS, Under the outstanding leadership and expertise of head coach Brandon Smith, the Patriots have developed outstanding teamwork and discipline; and

WHEREAS, The people of Quitaque and Turkey are proud of the members of the Patriots track team for their hard work, their impressive skills, and their fine sportsmanship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend the members of the Valley High School track team on their successful season and extend congratulations to them on winning the 2017 Class 1A state championship; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the team as an expression of high regard 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 May 23, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate