H.R. No. 1433

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, The Edcouch-Elsa High School boys' powerlifting team claimed its second consecutive Texas High School Powerlifting Association Division 1 championship with a victory at the state meet on March 23, 2019, in Abilene; and

WHEREAS, Competing against the other top Division 1 teams in Texas, the Yellow Jackets compiled 19 points, besting runner-up Edinburg Economedes by 7 points to secure the crown; and

WHEREAS, The team was paced by two individual title winners; Ricky Ortiz triumphed in the 148-pound weight class for the second year in a row and set two state records: a bench press of 400 pounds and an overall total of 1,535 pounds; Cody Alvarado clinched the gold in the 242-pound weight class by hoisting a total of 1,880 pounds; and

WHEREAS, Nate Vallejo added to the Edcouch-Elsa point total by earning the silver medal among the 220-pound contenders; rounding out the field was Imanol Rodriguez, who finished eighth in the 275-pound weight class; the team was guided by head coach Martin Marichalar, who has inspired all of the Yellow Jacket lifters to reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, Through hard work, skill, and dedication, the Edcouch-Elsa athletes have realized the dream of winning back-to-back titles, and they will treasure the memory of this outstanding accomplishment for many years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate the Edcouch-Elsa High School boys' powerlifting team on winning the 2019 THSPA Division 1 state championship and extend to all those associated with the team sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the Yellow Jackets as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1433 was adopted by the House on May 8, 2019, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House