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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Texas native Drew Brees became the National Football  
2 League's all-time leader in passing yardage on October 8, 2018; and

3 WHEREAS, Performing with his New Orleans Saints teammates in  
4 front of a home crowd, Mr. Brees surpassed the previous mark of  
5 71,940 career yards in spectacular fashion, firing a 62-yard  
6 scoring strike in the second quarter; he went on to throw for 363  
7 yards in the contest, leading the Saints to a resounding 43-19  
8 victory over the Washington Redskins and raising his record-setting  
9 total to 72,103; and

10 WHEREAS, Raised in Austin, Mr. Brees first gained widespread  
11 acclaim as a member of the Westlake High School football team,  
12 earning the 5A Offensive Player of the Year honor in his senior year  
13 and leading the Chaparrals to the 1996 state championship; his  
14 stellar play continued at Purdue University, where he was a Maxwell  
15 Award winner and two-time Heisman Trophy finalist who helped the  
16 Boilermakers win the Big 10 championship in 2000; and

17 WHEREAS, Drafted by San Diego in the second round of the 2001  
18 NFL Draft, Mr. Brees played five years with the Chargers before  
19 joining the New Orleans Saints as a free agent in 2006; his  
20 leadership and superb play sparked the team's resurgence, and  
21 during the 2009-2010 season, he took New Orleans to the top, winning  
22 the Super Bowl and taking home the game's MVP award; in addition to  
23 being the NFL's all-time passing leader, he holds the league  
24 records for most career completions and highest completion

1 percentage, and his list of honors includes selection as the 2006  
2 Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year and the 2008 and 2011 NFL  
3 Offensive Player of the Year; and

4 WHEREAS, Drew Brees has earned a place among the greatest  
5 football players to hail from the Lone Star State, and he may indeed  
6 reflect with pride on his remarkable accomplishments; now,  
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby congratulate Drew Brees on becoming the all-time  
10 NFL passing yardage leader and that he be extended sincere best  
11 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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