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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor football team  
2 reached the pinnacle of success by winning the NCAA Division III  
3 national championship with a victory in the Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl  
4 on December 14, 2018; and

5           WHEREAS, After going undefeated in the regular season and  
6 claiming the American Southwest Conference title, the Crusaders  
7 began their thrilling run through the postseason with a 27-6 win  
8 over Hardin-Simmons University; they then reeled off victories over  
9 Berry College, Saint John's University, and the University of  
10 Wisconsin-Whitewater to set up a Stagg Bowl rematch with the  
11 University of Mount Union, the same team that had defeated UMHB in  
12 the 2017 Division III title game; and

13           WHEREAS, The Crusaders fell behind 10-0 in the first quarter  
14 but rallied to take a 14-13 lead into halftime; the team added  
15 another touchdown and a field goal in the second half while holding  
16 Mount Union to just three more points; when the final seconds ticked  
17 off the clock, UMHB recorded a 24-16 win and collected its second  
18 national crown in the past three years; and

19           WHEREAS, By once again proving themselves the finest Division  
20 III team in the nation, the UMHB Crusaders have furthered the  
21 university's reputation as a gridiron powerhouse, and this  
22 achievement will be fondly remembered for many years to come; now,  
23 therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate the University of Mary  
2 Hardin-Baylor football team on winning the 2018 NCAA Division III  
3 national championship and extend to the team's players, coaches,  
4 and staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it  
5 further

6       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
8 House of Representatives.