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H.R. No. 112

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The football team of Bishop Dunne High School in
2 Dallas reached the pinnacle of success by winning the 2018 Texas
3 Association of Private and Parochial Schools Division I state
4 championship on December 7 in Waco; and

5 WHEREAS, After going undefeated in district play during the
6 regular season, the Falcons opened the playoffs with two dominant
7 victories, 45-7 over Trinity Christian Academy and 42-0 over
8 St. Pius X High School, to advance to the semifinals against Parish
9 Episcopal School; in that contest, quarterback Simeon Evans passed
10 for two touchdowns and ran for two more while the defense recorded
11 six sacks and held the Parish Episcopal running game in check en
12 route to a 31-20 triumph that punched the team's ticket to the
13 Division I title game; and

14 WHEREAS, With the state crown on the line, Bishop Dunne
15 matched up against Bishop Lynch High School in a rematch of the 2016
16 championship showdown; in a closely contested thriller, the Falcons
17 took a 7-0 lead in the second quarter on a touchdown pass from
18 Mr. Evans to Andrew Armstrong, but Bishop Lynch rallied to carry a
19 9-7 lead into the final minute of the game; with just 42 seconds to
20 play, Mr. Evans connected with Mr. Armstrong on another scoring
21 strike to recapture the advantage, and the Falcon defense held firm
22 on the final Bishop Lynch drive to secure the 13-9 victory and the
23 state championship; and

24 WHEREAS, In addition to the efforts of Mr. Evans and

1 Mr. Armstrong, Bishop Dunne received valuable contributions
2 throughout the season from each of the other members of
3 the roster: Logan Wilson, Kendall Paul, Ryan West, Nicholas
4 Nakwaasah, Jaden Hullaby, Jabari Khepera, Landon Hullaby, Brennon
5 Scott, Nicholas Johnson, Brian Williams, Elijah Yelverton, Joshua
6 Emmanuel, Kofi Thompson, Patrick Ugbede, Matthew Yelverton, Peyton
7 Culberson, Coby Cavil, John Emmanuel, JaDarrion Herrod, Fred
8 Henderson, Jeremiah Bodwin, Pearson Hendrix, Cory Cavil, Kendall
9 Newsom, Cameron Wilson, Greg Lane, Raymond Evans, Jason Aaruz,
10 Grant Barksdale, Adrian Munoz, Samuel Strong, Gabe Matous, Mykell
11 Sutton, Tim Peterson, James Clark, Thomas Gort, Josh Ramos, Chans
12 Jones, Gabriel Betancourt, Denim Brown, Kobe Singleton, Elijah
13 Moore, Donovan Stiles, Colby Culberson, Kobe Paul, Mekhi Collins,
14 Tucker Littleton, and Kevin Washington; and

15 WHEREAS, The steady guidance of head coach Michael Johnson
16 led the Falcons to an outstanding overall record of 11 wins and 3
17 losses, and he was ably assisted by a skilled staff that included
18 coaches Walter Johnson, Myron Hawthorne, Delone Williams, Zach
19 Coleman, Bobby Watkins, Bryson Lewis, John Johnson, Robert Brodner,
20 Chris Walton, Chad Morris, and Rodney Hawkins, as well as head
21 athletic trainer Tye Burch-Bowers and video coordinators Stephen
22 James, David Johnson, and Ron Johnson; the team also received vital
23 support from athletic director Kenneth Davis and principal Mary
24 Beth Marchiony; and

25 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the
26 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering
27 commitment to excellence, and the members of the Bishop Dunne

1 Falcons football team will treasure the memory of this
2 accomplishment for many years to come; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
4 Legislature hereby congratulate the Bishop Dunne High School
5 football team on winning the 2018 TAPPS Division I state
6 championship and extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff
7 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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