

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Texas native Kyler Murray was honored as the best
2 college football player in the nation when he was named the winner
3 of the 2018 Heisman Trophy in recognition of his accomplishments as
4 quarterback for the University of Oklahoma football team; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Murray starred on the gridiron at Allen High
6 School, where he led the Eagles to a 43-0 record and three state
7 championships and garnered National Player of the Year honors in
8 2014 from Gatorade, *Parade*, MaxPreps, and *USA Today*; he initially
9 attended Texas A&M University, following in the footsteps of his
10 father, Kevin Murray, who was a record-setting quarterback for the
11 Aggies, but following his freshman year, he transferred to
12 Oklahoma; and

13 WHEREAS, After sitting out the 2016 season, per NCAA transfer
14 rules, and serving as the backup to Baker Mayfield the following
15 year, Mr. Murray took the reins of the Sooner offense as the
16 starting quarterback in 2018; the results were spectacular: he
17 guided his squad to a 12-2 record, a Big 12 championship, and an
18 appearance in the College Football Playoff semifinals; along the
19 way, he accounted for more than 50 touchdowns while compiling 4,361
20 passing yards and 1,001 rushing yards; in addition to winning the
21 Heisman, he also collected the Davey O'Brien Quarterback of the
22 Year Award and was named the Associated Press Player of the Year and
23 the Big 12 Offensive Player of the Year; and

24 WHEREAS, A dual-sport athlete, Mr. Murray is also a skilled

1 outfielder for the Sooner baseball team and has already signed a
2 contract to play with the Oakland A's after being selected as the
3 ninth overall pick in the 2018 Major League Baseball Draft; and

4 WHEREAS, With his acceptance of the Heisman Trophy, Kyler
5 Murray has earned a place among the most accomplished athletes to
6 ever play college football, and his accomplishments have furthered
7 the Lone Star State's proud legacy of athletic achievement; now,
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Kyler Murray on winning the 2018
11 Heisman Trophy and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
12 success; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 575

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 575 was adopted by the House on March 13, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House