

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Texas native Rex Burkhead of the New England  
2 Patriots enjoyed a successful 2018-2019 NFL season that culminated  
3 in his team's triumph in Super Bowl LIII; and

4           WHEREAS, In the Patriots 13-3 championship victory over the  
5 Los Angeles Rams, Mr. Burkhead ran for 43 yards, including a key  
6 26-yard gain late in the fourth quarter, and also hauled in two pass  
7 receptions; the Super Bowl win closed out a memorable year in which  
8 he overcame an injury and became an important factor in New  
9 England's playoff games; he tallied his first-ever postseason  
10 touchdown in the divisional contest against the Los Angeles  
11 Chargers and scored the game-winning touchdown in overtime in the  
12 conference championship showdown with the Kansas City Chiefs; and

13           WHEREAS, A standout player at Plano Senior High School,  
14 Mr. Burkhead was an Associated Press first-team All-State  
15 selection during his senior season; after graduating in 2009, he  
16 spent his collegiate football career as a running back at the  
17 University of Nebraska, where he scored 35 touchdowns and ran for  
18 3,329 yards, becoming one of the top five rushers in Cornhusker  
19 history; those impressive statistics caught the attention of  
20 professional football scouts, and he was selected in the sixth  
21 round of the 2013 NFL Draft by the Cincinnati Bengals; and

22           WHEREAS, Mr. Burkhead spent four seasons with the Bengals,  
23 appearing in all 16 regular-season games during his last two years  
24 with the team; he signed with New England in 2017 and made his first

1 Super Bowl appearance later that season; an accomplished individual  
2 off the field as well, he has been active in various community  
3 service initiatives, including efforts to assist young people who  
4 face serious medical challenges; and

5 WHEREAS, Through his hard work and unwavering commitment to  
6 excellence, Rex Burkhead has distinguished himself in NFL  
7 competition, and his achievements are a source of great pride to his  
8 many fans in the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Rex Burkhead on becoming a Super  
11 Bowl champion as a member of the New England Patriots and extend to  
12 him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 580

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 580 was adopted by the House on March 13, 2019, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House