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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Sports Hall of Fame is recognizing the  
2 exceptional accomplishments of its 2019 inductees at a ceremony on  
3 March 30 in Waco; and

4 WHEREAS, Since inducting its first member in 1951, the Texas  
5 Sports Hall of Fame has honored the athletic careers of more than  
6 300 men and women; in 1993, the institution opened a museum in Waco  
7 to chronicle the lives of these legendary individuals and to  
8 preserve the history of sports in Texas for present and future  
9 generations; and

10 WHEREAS, The hall of fame's Class of 2019 is made up of seven  
11 exemplary athletes: the late professional tennis star Maureen  
12 Connolly Brinker, former Texas A&M University and NFL placekicker  
13 Tony Franklin, former Houston Texans wide receiver Andre Johnson,  
14 pioneering professional basketball player and coach Nancy  
15 Lieberman, former University of Arkansas football player Loyd  
16 Phillips, former University of Texas and Major League Baseball  
17 pitcher Greg Swindell, and retired Dallas Cowboys All-Pro tight end  
18 Jason Witten; and

19 WHEREAS, Through their outstanding skill and dedication,  
20 these esteemed Texans have furthered the proud tradition of  
21 athletic excellence in the Lone Star State, and they are indeed  
22 deserving of this prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
24 Legislature hereby recognize the 2019 inductees of the Texas Sports

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1 Hall of Fame and extend to them sincere best wishes for the future.