H.R. No. 1043

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The boys' basketball team from Martin's Mill High
School distinguished itself by advancing to the semifinals of the
2019 University Interscholastic League 2A playoffs; and

WHEREAS, After compiling an impressive record of 32 wins and just 2 losses during the regular season, the Mustangs embarked on an exciting postseason run in which they defeated the teams from Honey Grove, Linden-Kildare, Celeste, and Poolville High Schools to advance to the regional finals; and

9 WHEREAS, Matching up against Big Sandy High on March 2, the 10 Martin's Mill players took charge of the game in the second quarter 11 and led by eight points at intermission; strong defense and clutch 12 shooting down the stretch secured a 59-46 win and punched the team's 13 ticket to the state tournament for the first time since 2015; and

14 WHEREAS, The Mustangs faced the Gruver Greyhounds at the 15 Alamodome in San Antonio on March 8; the Martin's Mill players gave 16 their all in a tough battle, but their efforts ultimately fell 17 short, and the team ended the season with an impressive overall 18 record of 37 wins and just 3 losses; and

WHEREAS, Under the guidance of head coach Jake Bell and assistant coach Troy Willis, the Mustangs received valuable contributions throughout the year from each member of the roster: Colton Powers, Logan Morrow, Bryson Waynick, Dylan Morrow, Jose Perez, Tanner Waynick, Arnold Gutierrez, Coby Dougherty, Karson Godwin, Jose Valenzuela, Blaine Sigler, Garrett Celsur, and Michael

1

H.R. No. 1043

1 Hawes; and

2 WHEREAS, Demonstrating a combination of exceptional talent 3 and fierce determination, the Martin's Mill Mustangs turned in an 4 unforgettable performance during the 2018-2019 campaign, and their 5 success is a source of great pride to their many supporters in the 6 local community; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas 8 Legislature hereby congratulate the Martin's Mill High School boys' 9 basketball team on advancing to the 2A semifinals of the 2019 UIL 10 state tournament and commend the team's players, coaches, and staff 11 on a job well done; and, be it further

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

Flynn

2

H.R. No. 1043

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1043 was adopted by the House on April 12, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House