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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Austin native Baker Mayfield was recognized as the 2 best college football player in the nation in 2017, when he was 3 named the winner of the Heisman Trophy, an achievement that capped 4 off his exceptional tenure as the quarterback of the Oklahoma 5 Sooners; and

6 WHEREAS, The son of James and Gina Mayfield, Baker Mayfield 7 starred on the gridiron at Lake Travis High School; during his two 8 seasons as the team's starting quarterback, he threw for more than 9 6,000 yards and led the Cavaliers to a 25-2 record and the 2011 10 University Interscholastic League 4A state championship; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Mayfield began his collegiate career in 2013 as 12 a walk-on at Texas Tech University, where he quickly won the 13 starting job and went on to earn the Big 12 Freshman Offensive 14 Player of the Year award and to be named a Freshman All-American 15 honorable mention by College Football News; and

16 WHEREAS, After transferring to the University of Oklahoma, he took over as the starting quarterback for the Sooners in 2015; he 17 set numerous records during his three years at Oklahoma and won 33 18 of the 39 games he started, including a victory over Auburn 19 20 University in the 2017 Sugar Bowl; in addition to becoming the first 21 walk-on player to win the Heisman Trophy, he collected numerous other accolades for his stellar play as a senior, including the 22 23 Maxwell, Davey O'Brien, Manning, and Earl Campbell Tyler Rose awards, as well as the Walter Camp, Associated Press, and Sporting 24

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News Player of the Year honors; the first player chosen in the 2018 NFL Draft, he has now embarked on a promising professional career with the Cleveland Browns, and during his debut season, he established a new rookie quarterback record by throwing 27 touchdown passes; and

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6 WHEREAS, In winning the Heisman Trophy, Baker Mayfield joined 7 the most elite fraternity in college football, and his 8 accomplishments have furthered the Lone Star State's proud legacy 9 of athletic achievement; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas 11 Legislature hereby congratulate Baker Mayfield on winning the 2017 12 Heisman Trophy and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued 13 success; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 15 prepared for Mr. Mayfield as an expression of high regard by the 16 Texas House of Representatives.

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