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H.R. No. 1433

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Edcouch-Elsa High School boys' powerlifting
2 team claimed its second consecutive Texas High School Powerlifting
3 Association Division 1 championship with a victory at the state
4 meet on March 23, 2019, in Abilene; and

5 WHEREAS, Competing against the other top Division 1 teams in
6 Texas, the Yellow Jackets compiled 19 points, besting runner-up
7 Edinburg Economedes by 7 points to secure the crown; and

8 WHEREAS, The team was paced by two individual title winners;
9 Ricky Ortiz triumphed in the 148-pound weight class for the second
10 year in a row and set two state records: a bench press of 400 pounds
11 and an overall total of 1,535 pounds; Cody Alvarado clinched the
12 gold in the 242-pound weight class by hoisting a total of 1,880
13 pounds; and

14 WHEREAS, Nate Vallejo added to the Edcouch-Elsa point total
15 by earning the silver medal among the 220-pound contenders;
16 rounding out the field was Imanol Rodriguez, who finished eighth in
17 the 275-pound weight class; the team was guided by head coach Martin
18 Marichalar, who has inspired all of the Yellow Jacket lifters to
19 reach their full potential; and

20 WHEREAS, Through hard work, skill, and dedication, the
21 Edcouch-Elsa athletes have realized the dream of winning
22 back-to-back titles, and they will treasure the memory of this
23 outstanding accomplishment for many years to come; now, therefore,
24 be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
2 Legislature hereby congratulate the Edcouch-Elsa High School boys'
3 powerlifting team on winning the 2019 THSPA Division 1 state
4 championship and extend to all those associated with the team
5 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for the Yellow Jackets as an expression of high regard by
8 the Texas House of Representatives.