

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Woodlands High School boys' cross country team
2 once again proved itself one of the finest in Texas by winning the
3 6A title at the 2018 University Interscholastic League Cross
4 Country State Championships; and

5 WHEREAS, Joining the top cross country runners in Texas at
6 Old Settlers Park in Round Rock on November 3, The Woodlands
7 athletes were the 40th consecutive group from their school to
8 participate in the state meet; though the 2018 Highlanders were a
9 young squad with no seniors on the roster, they demonstrated
10 tremendous poise, claiming the program's fourth straight state
11 crown and 21st overall; the team was paced by Spencer Cardinal, who
12 placed third in the individual standings with a time of 14 minutes,
13 50.25 seconds, and Ethan Hammer, who finished in 15:12.11 to take
14 ninth place; and

15 WHEREAS, Further contributing to the Highlanders' impressive
16 performance were Aaron Soltmann, who clocked in at 15:32.32, Joshua
17 English, who recorded a time of 15:49.47, and Matias Mononen, who
18 crossed the line in 15:57; Ben Amundson and Brian Sewall also
19 completed the course for the Highlanders, and all of the Woodlands
20 competitors benefited throughout the season from the leadership of
21 head coach Juris Green; and

22 WHEREAS, By successfully defending their state title, The
23 Woodlands High School Highlanders have furthered their school's
24 exceptional record of athletic achievement, and all those

1 associated with the team may reflect with pride on a job well done;
2 now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
4 Legislature hereby congratulate The Woodlands High School boys'
5 cross country team on winning the 6A title at the 2018 UIL Cross
6 Country State Championships and extend to the runners, coaches, and
7 staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for the Highlanders as an expression of high regard by the
10 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2086

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2086 was adopted by the House on May 27, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House