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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, The Kennedale High School girls' track team proved itself one of the finest in Texas by winning the 4A championship at the 2021 University Interscholastic League Track & Field State Meet; and

WHEREAS, Joining the state's top high school competitors at Mike A. Myers Stadium in Austin on May 6, the Lady Kats outscored their nearest competitor by 14 points to claim the 4A crown; Kennedale swept the relays, beginning with the 4x100-meter squad of Dekhota Sipho, Skylar Lewis, Alexus Jenkins, and Brianna Brand, which placed first with a time of 46.94 seconds; in addition, Ms. Sipho, Alaya Clayborn, Ms. Lewis, and Ms. Brand clocked in at 1 minute, 38.91 seconds, to claim a gold medal in the 4x200-meter contest, and Nijah Martin, Ms. Jenkins, Ms. Clayborn, and Gracyn Reed made up the 4x400-meter quartet that triumphed in 3:55.65; and

WHEREAS, In the individual events, Ms. Brand soared 18 feet, 8.75 inches, in the long jump to collect a third gold medal, and she was fourth in both the triple jump and the 100-meter dash; Ms. Reed added a fourth-place finish in the 400-meter race and Ms. Lewis was fifth in the 100-meter dash; and

WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering commitment to excellence, and the Kennedale Lady Kats will treasure the memory of this accomplishment for the rest of their lives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate the Kennedale High School girls' track team on winning the 4A championship at the 2021 UIL Track & Field State Meet and extend to the team's athletes, coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the Lady Kats as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.