RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Continuing a proud tradition of success on the 2 gridiron, the football team of Ryan High School in Denton captured the University Interscholastic League 5A Division 3 championship on January 15, 2021, at AT&T Stadium in Arlington; and 4 5 WHEREAS, The title game victory closed out a campaign in which the Raiders went undefeated, beginning their run by reeling 6 7 off nine victories in the regular season; after claiming the District 5 title, Ryan rode a wave of momentum into the playoffs and 8 9 advanced through the bracket with wins over Dallas Adams, College Station, Longview, Highland Park, and Mansfield Summit High 10 11 Schools; and 12 WHEREAS, In a battle between unbeaten teams, the Raiders faced off against Cedar Park High School in the state final; Ryan 13 14 tallied a field goal and a touchdown in the first quarter, but Cedar Park cut the score to 10-8 with just over 9 minutes left in the first 15 16 half; the Raiders roared back with three straight touchdowns before intermission and held their opponent to one more score the rest of 17 the way, triumphing by a final score of 59-14; with the title game 18 win, the team brought home the championship trophy for the first 19 20 time since collecting back-to-back championships in 2001 and 2002; 21 and WHEREAS, Quarterback Seth Henigan was named the Offensive 22 23 Most Valuable Player for his four-touchdown performance while Defensive MVP Ty Marsh intercepted a throw, broke up three passes, 24

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- 1 and recorded 5.5 tackles; ably guided by head coach Dave Henigan,
- 2 the Raiders received valuable contributions from each member of the
- 3 roster over the course of the 2020 campaign; and
- WHEREAS, The members of the Ryan High School football team
- 5 demonstrated admirable skill and determination in winning the state
- 6 title and achieving a perfect record against top competition, and
- 7 these talented student-athletes will treasure the memory of this
- 8 accomplishment for many years to come; now, therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby congratulate the football team of Ryan High
- 11 School in Denton on winning the 2020 UIL 5A Division 1 state
- 12 championship and extend to all those associated with the squad
- 13 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for the team as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 16 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 42 was adopted by the House on March 10, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House