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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Continuing a proud tradition of success on the
2 gridiron, the football team of Ryan High School in Denton captured
3 the University Interscholastic League 5A Division 1 state
4 championship on January 15, 2021, at AT&T Stadium in Arlington; and

5 WHEREAS, The title game victory closed out a campaign in
6 which the Raiders went undefeated, beginning their run by reeling
7 off nine victories in the regular season; after claiming the
8 District 5 title, Ryan rode a wave of momentum into the playoffs and
9 advanced through the bracket with wins over Dallas Adams, College
10 Station, Longview, Highland Park, and Mansfield Summit High
11 Schools; and

12 WHEREAS, In a battle between unbeaten teams, the Raiders
13 faced off against Cedar Park High School in the state final; Ryan
14 tallied a field goal and a touchdown in the first quarter, but Cedar
15 Park cut the score to 10-8 with just over 9 minutes left in the first
16 half; the Raiders roared back with three straight touchdowns before
17 intermission and held their opponent to one more score the rest of
18 the way, triumphing by a final score of 59-14; with the title game
19 win, the team brought home the championship trophy for the first
20 time since collecting back-to-back championships in 2001 and 2002;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Quarterback Seth Henigan was named the Offensive
23 Most Valuable Player for his four-touchdown performance while
24 Defensive MVP Ty Marsh intercepted a throw, broke up three passes,

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

4 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.