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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Lipan High School girls' basketball team 2 furthered its legacy of excellence by winning the 2021 University 3 Interscholastic League 2A state championship on March 11 at the 4 Alamodome in San Antonio; and

5 WHEREAS, Competing for the first time at the 2A level, Lipan began its journey to the title with an impressive run in the regular 6 7 season, recording a 23-3 record and claiming the district title; continuing to dominate in the playoffs, the Lady Indians dispatched 8 9 Itasca, Anson, Stamford, and Alvord High Schools to reach the regional final; there, a hard-fought win over Muenster High earned 10 11 Lipan its ninth trip to the state tournament; the team then defeated 12 Panhandle High 35-30 in the semifinals to punch its ticket to the state finale; and 13

WHEREAS, Determined to reverse the heartbreak of 2020, when their title bid fell short in the 1A championship game, the Lady Indians battled for the crown against Martin's Mill High School; in a closely contested thriller, Lipan ignited its fast-break offense to go up 29-19 at halftime; the Lady Indians held off a late rally from their opponent and triumphed by the final score of 44-39 to celebrate the school's second girls' basketball state title; and

21 WHEREAS, Championship game Most Valuable Player Chelsea Lott 22 led Lipan with 18 points, and she joined Taylor Branson and Maggie 23 Peacock on the 2A All-Tournament Team; the Lady Indians also 24 received valuable contributions throughout the year from the other

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1 members of the roster: Marti Seymour, Lili Cogdill, Kaylee Little,
2 Lynsey Little, Madison Harrison, Taylor Clark, Olivia Benitez, Kloe
3 Pasket, Ashlyn Clark, Ellie Peacock, and Trinity Benitez; these
4 talented student-athletes were ably guided by head coach Amber
5 Branson and assistant coaches Misty Little and Aaron Callaway; and

6 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the 7 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering 8 commitment to excellence, and the Lipan Lady Indians will treasure 9 the memory of this accomplishment for the rest of their lives; now, 10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas 12 Legislature hereby congratulate the Lipan High School girls' 13 basketball team on winning the 2021 University Interscholastic 14 League 2A state championship and extend to the team's players, 15 coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, 16 be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 18 prepared for the Lady Indians as an expression of high regard by the 19 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 620 was adopted by the House on April 16, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House