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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The girls' and boys' track and field teams from
- 2 Panhandle High School closed out the year with exceptional
- 3 performances at the 2021 University Interscholastic League Track &
- 4 Field State Meet; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Joining the other top high school athletes in the
- 6 state at Mike A. Myers Stadium in Austin on May 7, the Pantherettes
- 7 dominated the Class 2A competition, winning the team championship
- 8 and three individual titles and finishing with 74 total points, 28
- 9 more than its closest competitor; the triumph marked the program's
- 10 first state crown since 1967; and
- 11 WHEREAS, In the relay events, the 4x400-meter team of Skylar
- 12 Maurer, Emmery Sides, Sydney Adee, and Macklynn Land recorded a
- 13 victorious time of 3 minutes, 56.09 seconds, setting a new 2A state
- 14 record; in addition, Ms. Maurer, Ms. Adee, Ms. Land, and Mason
- 15 Jones won the 4x100-meter relay with a time of 48.42 seconds, and
- 16 Ms. Maurer, Ms. Jones, Lauren Gonzales, and Annison Thomas claimed
- 17 the bronze in the 4x200-meter relay, crossing the finish line in 1
- 18 minute, 44.12 seconds; and
- 19 WHEREAS, In the individual events, Ms. Land repeated as the
- 20 state champion in the 400-meter run with a time of 56.01 seconds,
- 21 and Ms. Adee completed the 300-meter hurdles in 46.32 seconds to
- 22 clinch the bronze; Ms. Sides contributed to the Pantherette point
- 23 total by finishing fourth in the 800-meter run, as did Ms. Maurer
- 24 with her fifth-place showing in the pole vault; in addition,

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- 1 Ms. Thomas was seventh in the 100-meter dash; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The members of the Panhandle boys' team entered the
- 3 state meet with strong momentum, having won the Region 1-2A title,
- 4 and their efforts at the UIL competition in Austin ultimately
- 5 earned the Panthers fifth place in the 2A state team standings; Alex
- 6 Thompson paced the squad by earning a silver medal in the 110-meter
- 7 hurdles and a gold medal in the 300-meter hurdles with times of
- 8 14.78 and 38.87 seconds, respectively; moreover, the 4x100-meter
- 9 relay team of Zion Mercer, Zach Wood, Luke Battle, and Landyn Hack
- 10 placed fifth, and fine performances were also turned in by
- 11 Mr. Wood, who finished sixth in the 100-meter dash, and Clint
- 12 Maurer, who was sixth in the 800-meter run and fourth in the pole
- 13 vault; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Led by head coach Corby Maurer, these determined
- 15 young Texans have excelled through skill, hard work, and an
- 16 enduring commitment to excellence, and they are a source of
- 17 tremendous pride to their classmates and their many supporters in
- 18 the local community; now, therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 20 Legislature hereby congratulate the Panhandle High School girls'
- 21 and boys' track and field teams on their success at the 2021 UIL
- 22 Track & Field State Meet and extend to the athletes, coaches, and
- 23 staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
- 25 for the teams as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
- 26 Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1497 was adopted by the House on May 29, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House