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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Under the exceptional leadership of Coach Jairus
2 Mitchell, the members of the football team from Lakehill
3 Preparatory School in Dallas demonstrated remarkable resilience
4 over the course of the 2020 season, which culminated with the
5 Warriors winning the Texas Association of Private and Parochial
6 Schools Six-Man Division II state championship; and

7 WHEREAS, In only his second year overseeing the Lakehill
8 squad, Coach Mitchell guided the Warriors through a challenging
9 year profoundly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic; the team didn't
10 hold its first official practice until six weeks after the season
11 usually begins, and the Warriors entered the playoffs having played
12 just two games after four of their regular-season contests were
13 canceled; and

14 WHEREAS, Lakehill excelled in the postseason, dominating its
15 opponents to advance to the state title game for the second
16 consecutive year; battling Allen Academy for the crown on December
17 18 at Panther Stadium in Hewitt, the Warriors triumphed by the final
18 score of 42-34; with the win, they claimed the first state football
19 title in the 49-year history of the school and capped the season
20 with an unblemished record of seven wins and no losses; and

21 WHEREAS, In a short period of time, Coach Mitchell has
22 greatly benefited Lakehill's athletic programs; in addition to
23 directing the football team to repeat trips to the state title game,
24 he has also coached the middle school boys' and girls' basketball

1 teams to district championships and has coached softball as well;
2 in all his endeavors, he enjoys the support of his wife, Stephanie
3 Ann; they are the proud parents of three children; and

4 WHEREAS, Demonstrating a unique ability to inspire and teach,
5 Jairus Mitchell is making a positive difference in the lives of the
6 student-athletes he coaches, and he may indeed reflect with pride
7 on his accomplishments at Lakehill Prep; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
9 Legislature hereby congratulate Coach Jairus Mitchell for helping
10 the Lakehill Preparatory School football team win the 2020 TAPPS
11 Six-Man Division II state championship and extend to him sincere
12 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Coach Mitchell as an expression of high regard by the
15 Texas House of Representatives.