

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 409

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the DeSoto High School Lady Eagles basketball team, which won the 2021 University Interscholastic League Class 6A state championship; and

**WHEREAS**, The Lady Eagles won the first state championship in program history by defeating previously unbeaten and number one-ranked Houston Cypress Creek High School by a score of 53-37; the Lady Eagles' dominant postseason run included four consecutive victories by an average margin of 39 points; and

**WHEREAS**, These young student athletes have demonstrated great talent and perseverance over the course of the year, and the team ended the season with a record of 28-2; and

**WHEREAS**, Team members are: Mylasia Smith, Kayla Glover, Ja'Mia Harris, Sa'Myah Smith, Miah Payton, Tionna Herron, Jiya Perry, Amina Muhammad, Michayla Gatewood, Ayanna Thompson, Kaliyah Parker, Kendall Brown, Ariyanna Hines, Nadia Johnson, Nisaa Muhammad, and DeShayla Harris; these young women can take great pride in their outstanding performance; and

**WHEREAS**, Under the superior leadership and expertise of head coach Andrea Robinson, along with varsity assistant coach Kadi Creel, junior varsity coach Catherine Williams, and freshman coach Darmarcous Crockett, the Lady Eagles developed exceptional teamwork and discipline; they were ably supported by student manager Mykali Ford, trainer David Young, statistician James Beal, and athletic director Larry Davis; and

**WHEREAS**, DeSoto High School and the people of DeSoto are proud of the Lady Eagles for their hard work, their impressive skills, and their fine sportsmanship; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby commend the DeSoto High School Lady Eagles basketball team on its outstanding season and extend congratulations to its players, coaches, and staff on winning the 2021 Class 6A state championship; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the team as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 13, 2021.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate