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H.C.R. No. 6

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, In recognition of his notable contributions to area
2 athletics, Barry Russell was inducted into the Midland Independent
3 School District Hall of Legends on October 27, 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, Every other year, the Hall of Legends recognizes a
5 new class of inductees, honoring exceptional athletes, teams, and
6 coaches, as well as prominent supporters of the district's sports
7 programs; and

8 WHEREAS, A head coach for more than three decades, Barry
9 Russell enjoyed a remarkable 22-year tenure at the helm of the
10 Midland High School baseball team, racking up 518 wins against only
11 237 losses; his teams collected 11 district titles, and during a
12 playoff run of 20 consecutive years, the Bulldogs won two regional
13 crowns, claimed the 2001 5A state championship, and returned to the
14 state semifinals in 2006; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Russell's accolades include Coach of the Year
16 awards from the Texas Sports Writers Association and the National
17 Federation of State High School Associations, and he is a member of
18 the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Through his dedicated efforts, Barry Russell has
21 furthered the proud tradition of athletic excellence and
22 participation that has long been a hallmark of Midland ISD, and he
23 is indeed deserving of this prestigious honor; now, therefore, be
24 it

1 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas,
2 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate Barry Russell on his
3 induction into the Midland ISD Hall of Legends and extend to him
4 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Coach Russell as an expression of high regard by the
7 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.