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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The University of Texas at Dallas women's basketball
2 team furthered its tradition of success by winning the championship
3 game of the 2023 American Southwest Conference Tournament; and

4 WHEREAS, Following an impressive showing in the regular
5 season, UT Dallas opened the ASC Tournament with a thrilling 62-58
6 overtime decision against Sul Ross State University; the Comets
7 continued their exceptional play in the semifinals, stunning
8 nationally ranked Hardin-Simmons University with a winning shot at
9 the buzzer for a 73-71 win and a trip to the final; and

10 WHEREAS, On February 25, UT Dallas battled East Texas Baptist
11 University for the ASC Tournament crown; after trailing 7-0, the
12 Comets built a 30-23 halftime advantage and expanded their lead to
13 17 points in the third quarter; demonstrating tremendous resolve
14 down the stretch, UT Dallas held off a late rally from its opponent
15 to triumph by the final score of 63-57; the players clinched the
16 program's fifth ASC Tournament title while earning an automatic bid
17 to the NCAA Division III Tournament; and

18 WHEREAS, Most Valuable Player Jordan Maxwell paced UT Dallas
19 throughout the ASC Tournament, and she was joined by Cierra Trigg
20 and Trystan Clark on the ASC All-Tournament Team; the Comets also
21 received valuable contributions over the course of the season from
22 the other members of the roster: Amanda Crowninshield, Maddie
23 Edler, Mia Rudin, Maggie Delascurain, Kaylee Boykin, Diane Hurst,
24 Blythe Williams, Raven Busby, Anna Yellen, Lauren Fulenwider,

1 Jordyn Hofmann, Kyra Samuels, and Raylee Cave; these talented
2 student-athletes were ably guided by head coach Joe Shotland and
3 assistant coach Jackie Layng; and

4 WHEREAS, Winning a conference tournament championship
5 represents the culmination of countless hours of hard work and an
6 unwavering commitment to excellence, and the UT Dallas Comets may
7 reflect with pride on a job well done; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
9 Legislature hereby congratulate The University of Texas at Dallas
10 women's basketball team on winning the 2023 ASC Tournament
11 championship and extend to the players, coaches, and staff sincere
12 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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