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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Tommy Aldridge, former head coach of the Longview  
2 High School girls' basketball team, has been inducted into the  
3 Texas High School Basketball Hall of Fame as a member of the Class  
4 of 2025; and

5 WHEREAS, In 1978, Coach Aldridge founded the Longview girls'  
6 basketball program; over the course of his exceptional tenure at  
7 the helm of the team, he racked up more than 900 victories while  
8 directing the Lady Lobos to 25 district championships, 16 regional  
9 appearances, and three trips to the state tournament; the high  
10 point of his career came in 1984, when he led Longview to a state  
11 title, capping a perfect 39-0 season; the Lady Lobos only missed the  
12 playoffs twice during his 32-year stay, and he won 30 games or more  
13 in 19 of his campaigns at Longview; and

14 WHEREAS, Coach Aldridge also enjoyed great success as head  
15 coach at his high school alma mater, Union Grove, where he went  
16 59-33 over three years; remarkably, he achieved a winning record in  
17 each of his 35 total seasons as a head coach, compiling an  
18 outstanding overall mark of 967-213; and

19 WHEREAS, Through his dedicated efforts, Tommy Aldridge has  
20 furthered the proud tradition of athletic excellence that has long  
21 been a hallmark of the Lone Star State, and he is indeed deserving  
22 of this prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 1st  
24 Called Session, hereby congratulate Tommy Aldridge on his induction

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1 into the Texas High School Basketball Hall of Fame and extend to him  
2 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

3       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for Coach Aldridge as an expression of high regard by the  
5 Texas Senate.