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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Kicker Zane Gonzalez delivered an outstanding  
2 performance for the Washington Commanders during the football  
3 team's 2025 playoff campaign, helping the franchise advance to the  
4 NFC Championship Game for the first time in 33 years; and

5           WHEREAS, Mr. Gonzalez joined the Commanders in November  
6 2024, and he was one of four players to take over kicking duties for  
7 the squad; rising to the occasion, he booted a perfect 19 of 19  
8 extra point kicks and 5 of his 7 field goal attempts during the  
9 regular season; in a wild-card matchup with Tampa Bay, he knocked a  
10 game-winning 37-yard field goal through the goal posts on the final  
11 play to clinch a 23-20 victory; he went on to drill six PATs in the  
12 divisional round to help the Commanders defeat the Detroit Lions,  
13 setting up a conference championship showdown against their  
14 division rivals, the Philadelphia Eagles; Washington, which had  
15 last competed in the NFC title game in 1992, ultimately came up  
16 short in its bid to reach the Super Bowl, and Mr. Gonzalez finished  
17 the postseason an impressive seven for eight on field goal attempts  
18 and a flawless eight for eight on extra point tries; and

19           WHEREAS, Born in Deer Park, Mr. Gonzalez was a standout  
20 athlete in soccer and football at Deer Park High School; he excelled  
21 on the gridiron, converting all of his kicking attempts his senior  
22 season and attracting the attention of college scouts; signing with  
23 Arizona State University, he played in 51 games with the Sun Devils,  
24 finishing his exceptional career there as the FBS all-time leader

1 in field goals made and points by a kicker; he also became the first  
2 player in FBS history to make 20 or more field goals in each of his  
3 four seasons, and he won the 2016 Lou Groza Award as the nation's  
4 top collegiate placekicker; and

5 WHEREAS, The Cleveland Browns selected Mr. Gonzalez in the  
6 2017 NFL Draft, and he played parts of two seasons for the team  
7 before joining the Arizona Cardinals and later starting for the  
8 Carolina Panthers; and

9 WHEREAS, Demonstrating exceptional talent, dedication, and  
10 perseverance, Zane Gonzalez is a source of great pride to fans  
11 across the Lone Star State, and he is indeed deserving of  
12 recognition for all that he has achieved; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
14 Legislature hereby congratulate Zane Gonzalez on helping the  
15 Washington Commanders advance to the 2025 NFC Championship Game and  
16 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it  
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for Mr. Gonzalez as an expression of high regard by the  
20 Texas House of Representatives.