

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The boys' basketball team of Rapoport Academy Public  
2 School in Waco closed out an unforgettable season by winning the  
3 2025 University Interscholastic League 2A Division 1 state  
4 championship; and

5 WHEREAS, Rapoport began its journey to the title by clinching  
6 the district crown; in the playoffs, the Ravens bested Poolville,  
7 Cisco, Harts Bluff, and Seymour High Schools to reach the  
8 semifinals; there, a 58-51 win over Ropes High School allowed  
9 Rapoport to punch its ticket to the state championship game; and

10 WHEREAS, On March 6, the Ravens took the floor against Hearne  
11 High School at the Alamodome in San Antonio in what proved to be a  
12 thrilling battle for the state crown; Rapoport held a double-digit  
13 lead midway through the final quarter, but Hearne rallied to close  
14 the gap to just two points with less than a minute on the clock;  
15 demonstrating exceptional composure and determination, the Ravens  
16 sealed the outcome with clutch shooting from the free-throw line to  
17 emerge triumphant by a final score of 53-49; capping their  
18 storybook season as champions, the Rapoport players secured the  
19 first state title in program history and ended with an overall  
20 record of 37 wins and only 3 losses; and

21 WHEREAS, Championship Game Most Valuable Player Jordan  
22 Bradley paced Rapoport with 17 points, and he was joined by Ve'Shawn  
23 Long on the All-Tournament Team; the Ravens also received vital  
24 contributions throughout the season from the other members of the

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1 roster: Jordan Sewell, Keng Taylor, Montre Mitchell, Rudy Luna,  
2 Dominic Sanchez, David Tran, Jayden Johnson, Mark Navarro, and  
3 Jackson Small; these talented student-athletes were ably guided by  
4 head coach Turmaine Rice, who was named the 2A Division 1 Coach of  
5 the Year by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches; additional  
6 support was provided by assistant coach Jerry Dancer, athletics  
7 director Bryan Foreman, principal Dr. Tyler Ellis, and  
8 superintendent Dr. Alexis Neumann; and

9 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the  
10 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering  
11 commitment to excellence, and the Rapoport Academy Ravens are a  
12 source of great pride to their school and their many community  
13 supporters; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
15 Legislature hereby congratulate the Rapoport Academy Public School  
16 boys' basketball team on winning the 2025 UIL 2A Division 1 state  
17 championship and extend to the players, coaches, and staff sincere  
18 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1317 was adopted by the House on June 1, 2025, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House