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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jeff Traylor, former head football coach at Gilmer  
2 High School, has been inducted into the Texas High School Football  
3 Hall of Fame as a member of the Class of 2025; and

4 WHEREAS, A Gilmer native and a 1986 graduate of Gilmer High  
5 School, Jeff Traylor earned a spot on the Stephen F. Austin State  
6 University football team as a walk-on player; he began his coaching  
7 career in 1990 as an assistant at Big Sandy High School, and he  
8 subsequently served for seven years as a passing coordinator,  
9 defensive backs coach, receivers coach, and special teams  
10 coordinator at Jacksonville High School; and

11 WHEREAS, In 2001, Coach Traylor took the helm of the gridiron  
12 squad at his high school alma mater; he built a powerhouse program  
13 during his tenure as Gilmer's head coach, leading the Buckeyes to  
14 state championships in 2004, 2009, and 2014, two state runner-up  
15 finishes, and 12 district crowns; a four-time Texas High School  
16 Coach of the Year, he posted an outstanding overall record of  
17 175-26, with his .871 winning percentage ranking 10th all-time in  
18 state high school football history; while at Gilmer, he also  
19 produced two perfect 16-0 seasons and three 15-win campaigns; and

20 WHEREAS, Following his departure from Gilmer in 2014, Coach  
21 Traylor joined the coaching staffs at The University of Texas,  
22 Southern Methodist University, and the University of Arkansas,  
23 rising to the title of associate head coach at all three schools; in  
24 December 2019, he was named head football coach at The University of

1 Texas at San Antonio; he immediately set about building a winning  
2 culture, and through five seasons, he has led the Roadrunners to a  
3 pair of conference championships and five consecutive bowl berths  
4 highlighted by back-to-back bowl victories in 2023 and 2024; and

5 WHEREAS, Through his exceptional ability to mentor young  
6 athletes, Jeff Traylor has distinguished himself as one of the Lone  
7 Star State's elite football coaches, and he is indeed deserving of  
8 this prestigious accolade; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature  
10 hereby congratulate Jeff Traylor on his induction into the Texas  
11 High School Football Hall of Fame and extend to him sincere best  
12 wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for Coach Traylor as an expression of high regard by the  
15 Texas Senate.