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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Tatum High School boys' basketball team reached 2 the pinnacle of success by winning the 2025 University 3 Interscholastic League 3A Division 1 state championship; and

WHEREAS, Tatum began its journey to the title with 4 an 5 impressive run in the regular season, clinching the district crown with a perfect 12-0 record against its league opponents; continuing 6 7 to excel in the playoffs, the Eagles dispatched Mineola, Texarkana Liberty-Eylau, Ponder, and Jefferson High Schools to earn their 8 9 fifth all-time state semifinals appearance; with a 77-38 blowout victory against Iowa Park High School, the squad punched its ticket 10 11 to the state finale; and

12 WHEREAS, On March 7, Tatum battled for the title against Columbus High School; taking control from the outset, the Eagles 13 14 erupted for a 14-0 run in the first quarter and shot a blistering 62 percent from the field in the next frame to take a 50-19 lead into 15 the locker room; the offensive onslaught continued in the second 16 half, with the Eagles building a 25-point cushion entering the 17 fourth quarter; emerging triumphant by the final score of 84-49, 18 Tatum claimed the program's inaugural state championship and 19 20 finished the season with an outstanding record of 32-2; and

21 WHEREAS, The Eagles were led by Championship Game Most 22 Valuable Player Luke Sigler, who recorded 26 points and seven 23 rebounds; he was joined by JaCorie Bradley, Jordan Chambers, and 24 Cooper Whiteus on the 3A Division 1 All-Tournament Team; Tatum also

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1 received valuable contributions throughout the year from the other 2 members of the roster: Cayden Tatum, Grayson Lee, Kenneton 3 Harrison, Nalayus Boyd, Quincy Davis, Carlos Hernandez, Namhun Kim, 4 Nick Dsouza, Koby Bridges, DaMarion Tolbert, and Brandon Howard; 5 these determined student-athletes were ably guided by head coach 6 Brett Carr and assistant coaches Jayme Bradley, Daniel Carr, Henry 7 Brown, and Clancy Parker; and

8 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship represents the 9 culmination of countless hours of hard work and an unwavering 10 commitment to excellence, and the Tatum Eagles will treasure the 11 memory of this accomplishment for the rest of their lives; now, 12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature 14 hereby congratulate the Tatum High School boys' basketball team on 15 winning the 2025 UIL 3A Division 1 state championship and extend to 16 the players, coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for continued 17 success; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 19 prepared for the Eagles as an expression of high regard by the Texas 20 Senate.

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