

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 991

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Houston High School football team, TSSAA Class 6A state champions.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors for this State; and

WHEREAS, the Houston High School Mustangs football team achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2023 season, winning the coveted Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Class 6A State Football Championship; and

WHEREAS, the Houston High School Mustangs battled it out on the gridiron to make their way to the BlueCross Bowl championship game on December 2, 2023, at Finley Stadium in Chattanooga, where they bested the Oakland High School Patriots by a score of 24-9 in the title matchup to win their first-ever football state championship; and

WHEREAS, state championships are achieved only through hard work, dedication, and the ability to work together as a team and excel with a cooperative spirit; the Mustangs exhibited each of these rare qualities during their championship season; and

WHEREAS, the football players of Houston High School epitomize all that is good in today's student athletes, as they have achieved the highest level of success on the field while showing the highest degree of character both on and off the field; they inspired their fellow students and united the entire community during their triumphant run through the 2023 season; and

WHEREAS, Houston High School is located in the District of Champions, House District 95 in the Tennessee House of Representatives, where athletic and academic excellence is the

norm; Houston High School has been instrumental in establishing the notoriety of the District of Champions; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young men not only made possible a championship football season but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Houston High School football team for serving as exemplars of the high quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate the players, coaching staff, team support staff, administrators, cheerleaders, and fans of the Houston High School Mustangs football team on winning the 2023 TSSAA Class 6A State Football Championship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.