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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Minnesota Vikings running back and Angleton native  
2 Henry Josey has distinguished himself through his exceptional  
3 performance on the gridiron, and he is indeed deserving of  
4 recognition for his accomplishments; and

5 WHEREAS, A multitalented athlete, Mr. Josey lettered in  
6 track and field and football at Angleton High School; he moved from  
7 linebacker to running back his junior year, and he went on to  
8 compile 35 touchdowns and more than 2,600 rushing yards for the  
9 Wildcats over his final two seasons; highly recruited by a number of  
10 Division I schools, he opted to join the football program at the  
11 University of Missouri; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Josey continued his fine play at the collegiate  
13 level, making an impact for the Tigers as a freshman by tallying  
14 five touchdowns and 437 rushing yards; during his exceptional  
15 sophomore year, he led the conference and finished fifth in the  
16 nation in rushing with 1,168 yards, earning selection to the 2011  
17 All-Big 12 Football First Team in the process; a severe knee injury  
18 he suffered toward the end of that season sidelined him for more  
19 than a year, but he returned to play in all 14 games in 2013;  
20 regaining his top form, he tallied 16 touchdowns and surpassed the  
21 1,000-yard mark once more while helping Missouri to achieve a 12-2  
22 record and a victory in the Cotton Bowl; and

23 WHEREAS, This gifted player chose to forgo his final year of  
24 eligibility to pursue a career in the National Football League;

1 after joining the Philadelphia Eagles as a free agent, he led all  
2 NFL rushers in preseason play, and he spent the 2014 regular season  
3 as a member of the Jacksonville Jaguars before securing a roster  
4 spot with the Minnesota Vikings in December of that year; and

5 WHEREAS, Henry Josey has proven himself an athlete of rare  
6 dedication and ability, and he may reflect with pride on his many  
7 achievements as he looks ahead to a promising career in  
8 professional football; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Henry Josey on his success in high  
11 school, college, and professional football and extend to him  
12 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for Mr. Josey as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
15 House of Representatives.