

By: Cole

H.R. No. 1167

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Gregory Harrington has been named the 2021 Parent
2 Advocate of the Year by the Texas Public Charter Schools
3 Association; and

4 WHEREAS, With 760 member schools throughout the state, TPCSA
5 supports policies that allow charter schools to continue providing
6 a high quality education to the more than 300,000 students they
7 serve; the organization also equips charter school leaders,
8 teachers, and parents to advocate for their own schools; and

9 WHEREAS, Gregory Harrington is a member of the strategic
10 planning committee for the Pflugerville Independent School
11 District and the advisory board for the Harmony Science Academy
12 charter school district, where one of his daughters is a student; he
13 regularly meets with lawmakers in behalf of Central Texas parents,
14 and he recently testified before the House Public Education
15 Committee; moreover, he was a motivational speaker at the 2021
16 TPCSA Parent Pep Rally; and

17 WHEREAS, In addition to his advocacy efforts, Mr. Harrington
18 has benefited students by founding a back-to-school parade and
19 fundraiser to purchase supplies for children in need, and as a
20 member of the National Society of Black Engineers, he arranged
21 opportunities for local students to meet with professionals in the
22 science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields; he has
23 also served as president of the Black Professional Alliance, and he
24 is a graduate of Leadership Austin's Essential program; and

1 WHEREAS, Gregory Harrington has worked tirelessly in behalf
2 of Texas schoolchildren, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his
3 many contributions; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
5 Legislature hereby congratulate Gregory Harrington on being named
6 the 2021 Parent Advocate of the Year by the Texas Public Charter
7 Schools Association and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
8 future; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Mr. Harrington as an expression of high regard by the
11 Texas House of Representatives.