By: Guerra H.R. No. 141

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, South Texas Independent School District Virtual
- 2 Academy has been named an Apple Distinguished School for the
- 3 2023-2026 program term; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Recipients of this notable designation are chosen
- 5 for demonstrating a strong commitment to continuous innovation and
- 6 for their use of technology in fostering a supportive and
- 7 challenging educational environment; Apple Distinguished Schools
- 8 receive support through leadership events, collaboration with
- 9 other participating schools, and opportunities to engage with
- 10 experts; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The only all-magnet district in the state, South
- 12 Texas ISD offers college preparation and hands-on career training
- 13 to middle and high school students in Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy
- 14 Counties; the district opened its Virtual Academy in 2021 to better
- 15 meet the needs of residents in the Rio Grande Valley; led by
- 16 principal Maribel Valdez, the school offers fully remote courses
- 17 with curriculum and instruction designed specifically for virtual
- 18 learning; and
- 19 WHEREAS, A quality education is critical to the continuing
- 20 vitality of our state, and the teachers and staff of South Texas ISD
- 21 Virtual Academy are helping their students to reach their full
- 22 potential and to become engaged and productive members of their
- 23 community; now, therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas

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- 1 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate South Texas
- 2 Independent School District Virtual Academy on its selection as an
- 3 Apple Distinguished School and extend to all those associated with
- 4 the school sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
- 5 further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for South Texas ISD Virtual Academy as an expression of
- 8 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.