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H.R. No. 1090

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Life School, a nonprofit network of tuition-free,
2 public charter schools in the Dallas area, is marking the 25th
3 anniversary of its founding in 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, With the goal of providing students with a quality
5 education and giving parents educational choice regardless of their
6 ability to pay, pastor Tom Wilson applied for a charter for the
7 school with the State of Texas in the spring of 1998; on August 12
8 of that year, Life School opened its first campus in Oak Cliff with
9 15 staff members and 266 students; in the decades since, the
10 district has grown significantly, and today Life School operates 10
11 schools in Carrollton, Cedar Hill, Lancaster, Mountain Creek, Oak
12 Cliff, Red Oak, and Waxahachie, serving more than 5,600
13 kindergarten through 12th-grade students and employing over 600
14 faculty and staff members; and

15 WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of superintendent
16 Dr. Brent Wilson, Life School offers a wide range of
17 extracurricular activities and athletics, as well as Career and
18 Technical Education programs and dual credit partnerships with
19 local community colleges; in 2022, the district earned seven campus
20 distinctions, including a distinction for Postsecondary Readiness
21 at its flagship campus in Oak Cliff; moreover, Life School has
22 implemented a number of innovative initiatives, such as moving
23 toward a four-day school week beginning in August 2023; and

24 WHEREAS, For nearly three decades, Life School has sought to

1 develop future leaders through strong academics, character
2 training, and partnerships with parents and the community, and it
3 has made a meaningful difference in the lives of countless young
4 Texans; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
6 Legislature hereby commemorate the 25th anniversary of Life School
7 and extend to its administrators, faculty, staff, and students
8 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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