RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Keith Smith is retiring as superintendent of the 2 Madisonville Consolidated Independent School District June 30, 2023, drawing to a close an outstanding tenure with the 3 district that has spanned more than three decades; and 4 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith began his career as a high school teacher and coach with the district in 1991; over the years, he has served 6 7 in a variety of administrative roles, including as assistant principal and principal at Madisonville Junior High School and as 8 principal of Madisonville High School, and he has further benefited 9 the district as a golf coach and as federal funds coordinator; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Since being appointed superintendent in 2007, 12 Mr. Smith has provided exemplary leadership to the district's four schools; under his direction, Madisonville CISD earned an A 13 14 accountability rating from the Texas Education Agency and a financial accountability rating of superior; he has also been 15 16 integral to building a safe and welcoming learning environment and crafting and implementing a comprehensive strategic plan focusing 17 on short-term and long-term measures; and 18 WHEREAS, A leader in his field, Mr. Smith has served as a 19 superintendent mentor and as a member of the Texas Association of 20 21 School Administrators, Texas Association of School Boards, Region 6 executive 22 Education Service Center committee, 23 Commissioner's Cabinet, among other professional organizations; he

is the recipient of an Honorary Lone Star Degree from the Texas FFA

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- 1 Association, and in 2021, he was selected as the Region 6 ESC
- 2 Superintendent of the Year; and
- 3 WHEREAS, A resident of Madison County for 32 years, Mr. Smith
- 4 holds degrees from Texas A&M University and Sam Houston State
- 5 University; active in his community, he is a congregant of First
- 6 Methodist Church Madisonville and a member of the Madisonville
- 7 Economic Council and Bedias Masonic Lodge No. 651; in all his
- 8 endeavors, he enjoys the love and support of his wife of 27 years,
- 9 Laney, and their two daughters; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Through his dedication, professionalism, and
- 11 commitment to excellence, Keith Smith has helped many young Texans
- 12 acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed, and his
- 13 contributions will be remembered and appreciated for years to come;
- 14 now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 16 Legislature hereby congratulate Keith Smith on his retirement as
- 17 superintendent of the Madisonville Consolidated Independent School
- 18 District and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
- 19 success; and, be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 21 prepared for Mr. Smith as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 22 House of Representatives.

Kacal Ashby

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1602 was adopted by the House on May 19, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House