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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Keith Smith is retiring as superintendent of the 2 Madisonville Consolidated Independent School District on 3 June 30, 2023, drawing to a close an outstanding tenure with the 4 district that has spanned more than three decades; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith began his career as a high school teacher 6 and coach with the district in 1991; over the years, he has served 7 in a variety of administrative roles, including as assistant 8 principal and principal at Madisonville Junior High School and as 9 principal of Madisonville High School, and he has further benefited 10 the district as a golf coach and as federal funds coordinator; and

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 Service Center 22 Education executive committee, and TEA 23 Commissioner's Cabinet, among other professional organizations; he is the recipient of an Honorary Lone Star Degree from the Texas FFA 24

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Association, and in 2021, he was selected as the Region 6 ESC
Superintendent of the Year; and

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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 Legislature hereby congratulate Keith Smith on his retirement as superintendent of the Madisonville Consolidated Independent School District and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued 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.

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