H.R. No. 1606 By: Thimesch

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Telena Wright is retiring as superintendent of 2 the Argyle Independent School District on June 30, 2023, drawing to a close an outstanding tenure that has spanned more than 15 years; 3 4 and 5 WHEREAS, A native of Ballinger, Dr. Wright began her career in public education as a math teacher in San Angelo ISD, and she 6 7 went on to become an elementary and high school counselor; she joined Argyle ISD as principal of Argyle High School in 2000, and 8 three years later, she accepted a position as the district's

9 assistant superintendent; she was named superintendent in 2009; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Dr. Wright has overseen three successful bond 12 programs that have included the addition of new campuses as well as renovations and other improvements to existing campuses; she also 13 14 played an instrumental role in establishing the Argyle ISD Police

Department and special education department; since her appointment 15

16 as supervisor, district enrollment has increased from 1,700 to some

5,000 students, and she has guided a team to develop a 10-year 17

growth plan for the district; and 18

WHEREAS, Under Dr. Wright's able leadership, Argyle ISD has received a number of honors, including an A accountability rating 20 21 from the Texas Education Agency and a district score of 97, the

highest in the district's history; in addition, Argyle High has 22

23 achieved statewide success in University Interscholastic League

competitions, earning 12 Lone Star Cup awards; and 24

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- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Wright holds a doctorate in education from the
- 2 University of North Texas, a master's degree in education from
- 3 Hardin-Simmons University, and a bachelor's degree from The
- 4 University of Texas at Austin; in addition to her work with Argyle
- 5 ISD, she has served as an adjunct instructor at UNT; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Through her dedication, professionalism, and
- 7 commitment to excellence, Dr. Telena Wright has helped many young
- 8 Texans acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed, and
- 9 her contributions will be remembered and appreciated for years to
- 10 come; now, therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 12 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Telena Wright on her
- 13 retirement as superintendent of the Argyle Independent School
- 14 District and extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and,
- 15 be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for Dr. Wright as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 18 House of Representatives.