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S.R. No. 544

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Telena Wright is retiring as superintendent of
2 the Argyle Independent School District on June 30, 2023, drawing to
3 a close an outstanding tenure that has spanned more than 15 years;
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5 WHEREAS, A native of Ballinger, Dr. Wright began her career
6 in public education as a math teacher in San Angelo ISD, and she
7 went on to become an elementary and high school counselor; she
8 joined Argyle ISD as principal of Argyle High School in 2000, and
9 three years later, she accepted a position as the district's
10 assistant superintendent; she was named superintendent in 2009; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Wright has overseen three successful bond
12 programs that have included the addition of new campuses as well as
13 renovations and other improvements to existing campuses; she also
14 played an instrumental role in establishing the Argyle ISD Police
15 Department and special education department; since her appointment
16 as supervisor, district enrollment has increased from 1,700 to some
17 5,000 students, and she has guided a team to develop a 10-year
18 growth plan for the district; and

19 WHEREAS, Under Dr. Wright's able leadership, Argyle ISD has
20 received a number of honors, including an A accountability rating
21 from the Texas Education Agency and a district score of 97, the
22 highest in the district's history; in addition, Argyle High has
23 achieved statewide success in University Interscholastic League
24 competitions, earning 12 Lone Star Cup awards; and

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 Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature
12 hereby congratulate Dr. Telena Wright on her retirement as
13 superintendent of the Argyle Independent School District and extend
14 to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for Dr. Wright as an expression of high regard by the Texas
17 Senate.