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H.C.R. No. 64

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Gifted and talented education supports the academic
2 needs of students with a high potential for achievement, and the
3 observance of Gifted and Talented Students Week in April provides
4 an opportunity to celebrate the skills and accomplishments of these
5 students and the dedication of the educators who serve them; and

6 WHEREAS, The term "gifted and talented" refers to children
7 and youth who have excelled in intellectual, creative, or artistic
8 endeavors, who possess an unusual capacity for leadership, or who
9 show promise in a specific field of study; due to their unique
10 abilities, these students can benefit from specialized educational
11 services designed to meet their social, emotional, and academic
12 needs; and

13 WHEREAS, There are more than 450,000 identified gifted and
14 talented students in Texas; funding is set aside to help provide
15 them with challenging coursework, and teachers of gifted and
16 talented classes are required by Texas law to receive additional
17 special training; and

18 WHEREAS, By encouraging exceptional students to develop
19 their individual strengths, we are investing in the leaders,
20 scholars, and innovators of tomorrow, and this vital endeavor is
21 deserving of the wholehearted support and commitment of all Texans;
22 now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas
24 hereby designate the first full week in April as Gifted and Talented

1 Students Week; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section
3 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remain in effect
4 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally
5 passed by the legislature.