SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Edinburg North High School on its selection as one of three high schools in our nation to receive the College Board's 2004 Inspiration Award; and

WHEREAS, Every year the College Board honors three outstanding public secondary schools for their exemplary work in improving academic environment and in helping economically disadvantaged students to achieve the promise of higher education; the national award is the epitome of academic excellence and carries a \$25,000 prize; and

WHEREAS, To earn the Inspiration Award, schools must demonstrate an ability to inspire students to enroll in college in spite of cultural and economic barriers; the schools must also show gains in college preparedness, which are measured through such factors as the number of students enrolled in college preparatory core curriculum courses and growth in the number of students enrolled in such rigorous classes as those of the Advanced Placement Program; and

WHEREAS, Winning schools will have also demonstrated success in building partnerships among teachers, parents, community organizations, and local businesses to help students to attend college; and

WHEREAS, A number of dignitaries, including College Board President Gaston Caperton and Martha Salmon, assistant vice president of the College Board's Southwestern Region, are attending this year's official Inspiration Award presentation ceremony; and

WHEREAS, Edinburg North High School has brought great credit to itself, the school district, and the community by earning this prestigious award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby commend Edinburg North High School for promoting academic excellence and extend congratulations to its students, teachers, and families for winning the College Board's Inspiration Award; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Edinburg North High School as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2004.

Secretary of the Senate