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H.C.R. No. 87

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, James Allan Smith is concluding an outstanding
2 career dedicated to educational excellence with his June 6, 2003,
3 retirement as superintendent of the Robinson Independent School
4 District; and

5 WHEREAS, An alumnus of Tarleton State College and Prairie
6 View A&M University, Mr. Smith holds a bachelor of arts degree and a
7 master's degree in educational administration as well as
8 midmanagement and superintendent certification; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith has devoted his considerable talents to
10 the betterment of the Robinson ISD for 33 years; he began his career
11 as a teacher and coach, later served as assistant principal,
12 transportation director, and principal, and since 1990 has guided
13 the district as superintendent; under his able leadership, the
14 district has attained an "exemplary" rating from the Texas
15 Education Agency and given its students a strong foundation on
16 which to build; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith has also been involved with educational
18 programs and policies that reach outside the district; he served as
19 regional deputy director of the Equity Center, chaired the District
20 17AAA UIL Executive Committee, was a member of the Governance Board
21 of the McLennan County Challenge Academy, and further distinguished
22 himself on the task force of the Texas Tech University/Baylor
23 University Partnership for the Professional Development of
24 Teachers and as a valued member of a number of other educational

1 organizations; and

2 WHEREAS, An active reserve deputy sheriff with the McLennan
3 County Sheriff's Department since 1980, this civic-minded
4 individual has participated in a host of local groups, including
5 the Greater Robinson Chamber of Commerce, the Robinson Economic
6 Development Committee, Meadowbrook Baptist Church, and the Safe
7 Communities Coalition, to name but a few; and

8 WHEREAS, In honor of his commitment and professionalism, the
9 Robinson High School Chapter of the National Honor Society was
10 renamed the James A. Smith Chapter in 1990, and Mr. Smith was named
11 the recipient of a 2001-2002 Community Service Award from the
12 Greater Robinson Chamber of Commerce; and

13 WHEREAS, Throughout his career, James Smith has set high
14 standards to which all educators and administrators may aspire, and
15 his myriad contributions to the Robinson ISD will not soon be
16 forgotten; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
18 hereby commend James Allan Smith for his exceptional career with
19 the Robinson Independent School District and extend to him sincere
20 best wishes for a happy and rewarding retirement; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for Mr. Smith as an expression of high regard by the Texas
23 House of Representatives and Senate.