

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Russell Brandon Vail has been named Elementary  
2 Teacher of the Year for 2002-2003 by the Donna Independent School  
3 District (ISD), and in light of this accomplishment, he is indeed  
4 deserving of special recognition; and

5           WHEREAS, The award acknowledges teachers who are creative and  
6 successful with students, have excellent classroom organizational  
7 skills, present subject matter in meaningful ways, promote positive  
8 learning environments for all students, and work well with  
9 colleagues, parents, and the community, and Mr. Vail truly meets  
10 each of these criteria; and

11           WHEREAS, Inspired to become an educator by his stepmother and  
12 his high school Spanish teacher, Mr. Vail earned a bachelor's  
13 degree from Southwestern Assemblies of God University and began his  
14 teaching career in 2001; and

15           WHEREAS, A dedicated educator, he now teaches fifth-grade  
16 science and is a University Interscholastic League coach for math  
17 and spelling; and

18           WHEREAS, Endeavoring to inspire a passion for learning and  
19 equip young Texans with the skills and knowledge necessary for  
20 success is a most commendable undertaking; during his tenure with  
21 the Donna ISD, Russell Brandon Vail has earned a special place in  
22 the hearts of many of his students and the lasting respect and  
23 admiration of his colleagues and friends; now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate Russell Brandon Vail on being named  
2 2002-2003 Elementary Teacher of the Year by the Donna Independent  
3 School District and extend sincere best wishes to him for continued  
4 success and happiness; and, be it further

5       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for Mr. Vail as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
7 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1741 was adopted by the House on May 31, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House