

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Ysleta Independent School District in El Paso
2 was awarded a 2005 Project CHANGE Jacob K. Javits Gifted and
3 Talented Grant from the United States Department of Education and
4 will celebrate the accomplishment with a special ceremony on May
5 23, 2006; and

6 WHEREAS, This much-sought-after national grant is one of only
7 14 awarded for the year and is intended to promote projects and
8 educational strategies to meet the needs of gifted and talented
9 students, particularly those who are economically disadvantaged
10 and have limited proficiency in English; and

11 WHEREAS, The only school district in Texas to receive a
12 Project CHANGE grant, Ysleta is poised to make important advances
13 in the way that gifted and talented students are educated; among a
14 number of other critical goals, the school district plans to use its
15 project funds to identify and assist a greater number of students
16 who have limited aptitude in English and will also implement
17 instructional programs that promote critical thinking; and

18 WHEREAS, The methods of the Ysleta administrators are built
19 upon the idea that the entire community needs to be involved in
20 mentoring those students who have special abilities; toward this
21 end, their programs will call on members of professional
22 organizations in addition to academic experts and parents; and

23 WHEREAS, The future of our state and nation is in the hands of
24 impassioned educators like those from Ysleta ISD who recognize the

1 power of education and high standards, and programs developed from
2 this Project CHANGE grant will contribute immeasurably to the
3 achievements of El Paso students and will undoubtedly provide a
4 model that will deserve replication in schools across the country;
5 now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
7 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate the Ysleta
8 Independent School District for receiving a 2005 Project CHANGE
9 Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Grant and extend sincere best
10 wishes to all involved for continued success; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the school district as an expression of high regard by
13 the Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 334

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 334 was adopted by the House on May 10, 2006, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House