SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 704

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Mainspring Schools of Austin for the outstanding early education the agency provides young children from low-income families; and

WHEREAS, A private, nonprofit human services agency, Mainspring Schools was founded in 1941 as a Works Progress Administration project; the agency's philosophy of inclusion while addressing each child's individual needs has been proven to make a difference in the future academic achievement of at-risk students; and

WHEREAS, The Mainspring educational model offers a curriculum designed to foster social and emotional development, encourage language and cognitive learning, and support physical growth and the development of motor skills; and

WHEREAS, Services provided by Mainspring Schools include an on-site social worker who offers counseling and children's play therapy and a health and nutrition program that provides free, on-site, semiannual hearing, vision, and dental screenings and well-balanced meals each day; and

WHEREAS, By creating a curriculum that addresses all areas of a child's development and then adapting the program to each individual child, Mainspring Schools provides top-quality early childhood education; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Mainspring Schools for its excellent service to low-income, working families; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mainspring Schools as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Barrientos

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 28, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate