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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Ten schools in the McKinney Independent School  
2 District were named among the best public schools in the state in  
3 the December 2006 ranking by *Texas Monthly* magazine; and

4           WHEREAS, Based on data compiled by the National Center for  
5 Educational Accountability, the ratings reflect student  
6 performance in reading, writing, math, science, and social studies,  
7 across multiple grades over a three-year period; and

8           WHEREAS, McKinney ISD was well represented, with seven  
9 elementary schools and three middle schools making the list; most  
10 notably, Valley Creek Elementary, under the able leadership of  
11 Debbie Garinger, was cited as one of the state's five  
12 highest-performing elementary schools; in addition, McNeil  
13 Elementary, led by Deborah Kanar, Eddins Elementary, led by Melanie  
14 Raleeh, Wolford Elementary, led by Francine Gratt, Reuben Johnson  
15 Elementary, led by Laura Cooper, Walker Elementary, led by Deborah  
16 Sanchez, and Glen Oaks Elementary, led by Beth Parker, all received  
17 much-deserved recognition; and

18           WHEREAS, Three of the district's middle schools were also  
19 designated as being among the state's most outstanding, including  
20 Faubion Middle School, led by Patty Jackson, Scott Johnson Middle  
21 School, led by Dr. Melinda DeFelice, and Dowell Middle School, led  
22 by Eartha Linson; and

23           WHEREAS, The dedicated faculty, staff, and students of these  
24 10 schools are a source of great pride for the McKinney community,

1 and their commitment to academic excellence is truly worthy of  
2 special praise; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
4 Legislature hereby congratulate the 10 McKinney Independent School  
5 District schools named among the Best Public Schools in Texas for  
6 2006 by *Texas Monthly* magazine and extend to all those affiliated  
7 with these outstanding institutions sincere best wishes for  
8 continued success; and, be it further

9         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
10 prepared for the schools as an expression of high regard by the  
11 Texas House of Representatives.