

By: Howard of Travis

H.R. No. 1394

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Marble Falls Independent School District has
2 been awarded a Texas Early Education Model (TEEM) Pre-Kindergarten
3 School Readiness grant by the Texas Education Agency; and

4 WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Superintendent Dr.
5 Ryder Warren, Marble Falls ISD serves the communities of Marble
6 Falls, Meadowlakes, Granite Shoals, Highland Haven, Cottonwood,
7 Fairland, Smithwick, Horseshoe Bay South, and Spicewood; more than
8 3,800 students attend its four elementary schools, one middle
9 school, and two high schools; and

10 WHEREAS, The generous TEA grant, worth \$200,555, will be used
11 by the district to improve school readiness services for young
12 children using a research-based framework developed by the State
13 Center for Early Childhood Development; moreover, it will allow the
14 district to participate in the center's development and validation
15 of the Texas School Readiness Certification System; and

16 WHEREAS, Designed to prepare students for success in
17 kindergarten, pre-kindergarten programs help develop language,
18 mathematics, and social skills; high-quality pre-K has been shown
19 to be a cost-effective way to reduce grade repetition and special
20 education placements, as well as to be a factor in achieving
21 long-term benefits such as high school graduation; and

22 WHEREAS, Marble Falls ISD is home to a vibrant and growing
23 student population, and the TEEM Pre-Kindergarten School Readiness
24 grant will undoubtedly enhance the district's ability to address

1 the specific needs of its youngest and most vulnerable children;
2 now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
4 Legislature hereby congratulate the Marble Falls Independent
5 School District on its receipt of a Texas Early Education Model
6 Pre-Kindergarten School Readiness grant and extend to all those
7 affiliated with the district's pre-K program sincere best wishes
8 for the future; and, be it further

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