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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Celia Maria Jenkins is being honored by the Lake

Houston Science Collaborative for Excellence in Science Teaching;

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WHEREAS, A teacher in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston,

5 Ms. Jenkins is dedicated to providing inspired instruction to her

students and has furthered her skills through participation in the

Lake Houston Science Collaborative; and

8 WHEREAS, The Lake Houston organization is one of the Texas 9 Regional Collaboratives for Excellence in Science and Mathematics

Teaching, which provides professional development to K-12

educators throughout the state; drawing together institutions of

higher education, the Texas Education Agency, education service

centers, school districts, and business organizations, these

partnerships have established an excellent track record in

15 designing and implementing exemplary educational development

16 programs; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jenkins prepared for her teaching career by earning a bachelor's degree in liberal arts with an emphasis on child development at St. Edwards University, and she holds two Montessori certifications; a member of the teaching profession for more than 26 years, she works with students from pre-K to fifth grade at St. Martha Catholic School in Kingwood, which is under the leadership of principal Leslie Flickinger; an innovative educator,

24 Ms. Jenkins was awarded a 2006-2007 BP Energy Grant of \$10,000 to

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- 1 conduct solar energy experiments with her students; and
- 2 WHEREAS, During her involvement with the Lake Houston Science
- 3 Collaborative, Ms. Jenkins has completed 158 hours of service and
- 4 training and become proficient in a range of instructional models,
- 5 materials, and best practices; by taking part in this intensive
- 6 program, she has enhanced her abilities as an educator, which will
- 7 allow her to become an even more effective mentor to her students;
- 8 now, therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby congratulate Celia Maria Jenkins on being named
- an honoree of the Lake Houston Science Collaborative for Excellence
- 12 in Science Teaching and extend to her best wishes for continued
- 13 success with her important work; and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for Ms. Jenkins as an expression of high regard by the
- 16 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1730 was adopted by the House on May 11, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House