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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Rockdale native Dr. Fannie Lee Lovelady Dawson Spain
2 has made invaluable contributions to the field of education during
3 her years of service as a teacher and administrator; and

4 WHEREAS, Throughout her accomplished career, Dr. Spain has
5 held a variety of important positions, including president,
6 manager, educational consultant, leadership center creator,
7 researcher, publisher, corporate officer, and city council member;
8 her notable resume includes tenures with the California Department
9 of Education in Sacramento, where she implemented a host of new
10 programs, and the School of Education at National University of
11 Sacramento, where she worked as a professor; in addition, she was
12 principal of Madison Junior High School in Oakland, California, and
13 was the first African American to serve as a principal in the
14 Lexington school district; and

15 WHEREAS, This former Education Policy Fellow at George
16 Washington University holds a bachelor's degree in music, a
17 master's degree and Ph.D. in administration, and an Ed.D. in
18 education leadership; she is the recipient of numerous honors,
19 including two Dale Carnegie Awards, outstanding leader in
20 elementary and secondary education accolades, and recognition from
21 Personalities of the South and Who's Who of American Women; and

22 WHEREAS, Although she recently "retired," Dr. Spain can be
23 found today sharing her passion for learning as an instructor on the
24 Navajo Reservation in Arizona; she also gives of her time and

1 talents as a member of Optimist International, Phi Delta Kappa
2 International, and American Educational Research Association; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Spain has set a sterling example of leadership
4 and professional achievement to which all may aspire; she may
5 reflect with pride on her many years of service to the youth of our
6 nation, knowing that her efforts have made a positive difference in
7 the lives of countless individuals; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
9 Legislature hereby commend Dr. Fannie Lee Lovelady Dawson Spain for
10 her achievements as an educator and extend to her best wishes for
11 the future; and, be it further

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