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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Richardson Independent School District received the
2007 H-E-B Excellence in Education Award for large districts and a
\$100,000 cash prize; and

WHEREAS, The H-E-B Excellence in Education Awards were established in 2002 to honor and thank outstanding public school professionals who go the extra mile each and every day to serve their students and their communities and who inspire others to do the same; and

WHEREAS, School district nominees are narrowed down to five 9 large-district finalists and three small-district finalists, which 10 11 are judged on their commitment to student achievement through their 12 implementation of innovative programs, their level of parental and community involvement, and their provision of professional 13 14 development opportunities for teachers and administrators; a statewide selection committee conducts on-site visits and personal 15 16 interviews with school board members, superintendents, teachers, principals, and community and student leaders to determine the 17 18 winners; and

WHEREAS, Under the able guidance of Dr. David Simmons, Richardson ISD includes four high schools, eight junior high schools, one freshman center, 41 elementary schools, and one alternative-learning center and has an enrollment of more than 35,000 students; and

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WHEREAS, In earning this prestigious accolade, Richardson

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ISD has demonstrated exceptional efforts to develop parental and community involvement, to support its faculty and staff, and to educate the next generation of leaders in the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 6 Legislature hereby congratulate Richardson ISD on winning the H-E-B 7 Excellence in Education Award for large districts and extend to all 8 those associated with the district sincere best wishes for 9 continued success; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for Richardson ISD as an expression of high regard by the 12 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2228 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House