

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1162

WHEREAS, In June of 2007, Tom Davenport is retiring as superintendent of the Lake Dallas Independent School District, drawing to a close an outstanding career in public education that has spanned nearly four decades; and

WHEREAS, A former schoolteacher, Mr. Davenport has served in his current role for 18 years, during which time the district has more than doubled in size; under his able leadership, district leaders have worked hard to accommodate the district's growth and have developed a building program that has been in effect since 1995; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed administrator has shared his time and talent with numerous professional organizations, including the National Association of Federally Impacted Schools, for which he served as president of the Federal Properties Section, the Texas Association of Federally Impacted Schools, for which he serves as treasurer, and the Texas Association of School Administrators, for which he has served as chair of the Education Service Center Region XI study group; he has also served as senatorial district representative for the Texas Association of Mid-Size Schools and as a member of the Commissioner of Education Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to his work in his community, Mr. Davenport is an active member of the Lake Cities Lions Club and of the Lake Cities Chamber of Commerce, for which he has served as vice president for many years; he was named Citizen of the Year by the chamber of commerce in 2005; he is a devout Christian and a valued congregant of Lake Shore Baptist Church; and

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WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Davenport enjoys the love and support of his wife, Carolyn, his two daughters, Jill and Ruth, and his four grandchildren, Nicholas, Lauryn, Daven, and Jared; and

WHEREAS, The people of Lake Dallas have gained immeasurably from Mr. Davenport's astute judgment and dedication to his work on behalf of the schoolchildren of their city, and it is indeed fitting that he be recognized for his exceptional service to the cause of education in his community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Tom Davenport on his service as superintendent of the Lake Dallas Independent School District and extend to him best wishes for an enjoyable retirement; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. Davenport as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Nelson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 25, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate