

By: Hilderbran

H.R. No. 12

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dan Troxell, superintendent of the Kerrville
2 Independent School District, has been selected as the 2008
3 Superintendent of the Year by the Texas Association of School
4 Boards; and

5 WHEREAS, The TASB award recognizes chief administrators who
6 exemplify excellence and achievement in educational leadership; in
7 making its choice for 2008, the state selection committee praised
8 Dr. Troxell for extending the enrollment of prekindergarten classes
9 to include three-year-olds, emphasizing science and math
10 instruction, and involving local retirees in education efforts;
11 moreover, committee members cited his success in promoting student
12 mentoring and in using community college educators from other areas
13 as class instructors; and

14 WHEREAS, After graduating from The University of Texas at
15 Austin, Dr. Troxell went on to earn his master's degree in education
16 from Texas State University-San Marcos and his Ph.D. from
17 UT-Austin; a former middle-school teacher, he has 18 years of
18 experience in administration and served as an assistant
19 superintendent in the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School
20 District before joining Kerrville ISD as superintendent in 2003; in
21 addition, he has taught as an adjunct professor at Schreiner
22 University and the University of Houston and as a part-time
23 professor at Sam Houston State University; and

24 WHEREAS, During Dr. Troxell's tenure at Kerrville ISD,

1 students, faculty, and campuses in the district have received
2 numerous honors; Fred H. Tally Elementary School was the only
3 elementary school in Texas to be named a 2007 National Title I
4 Distinguished School, and Tivy High School has been named a Region
5 20 Outstanding High School in math and science; moreover, the Texas
6 Education Agency has accorded the Kerrville school system its
7 highest financial rating for six consecutive years; the district's
8 sound economic footing has allowed it to offer teachers some of the
9 highest salaries in the Hill Country and to challenge students with
10 such diverse courses and activities as the orchestra program, the
11 elementary Spanish program, and Challenge Labs for high achievers;
12 in addition, Dr. Troxell himself was recognized with the 2006
13 Advocate of the Gifted award from the Texas Association for the
14 Gifted and Talented; and

15 WHEREAS, This esteemed professional founded the Greater Hill
16 Country-San Antonio Consortium of Districts and gives generously of
17 his time and expertise to a number of organizations, among them the
18 TASB Risk Management Committee and the Texas Association of School
19 Administrators Legislative Committee; he further contributes to
20 the community as a youth sports coach and as a member of the
21 Kerrville Area Chamber of Commerce board; and

22 WHEREAS, A skilled educator and outstanding administrator,
23 Dan Troxell has worked tirelessly to set the highest educational
24 standards in the Kerrville Independent School District, and the
25 exceptional reputation of the city's public schools is indeed a
26 tribute to his leadership; now, therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas

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1 Legislature hereby congratulate Dan Troxell on his selection as the
2 2008 Superintendent of the Year by the Texas Association of School
3 Boards and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success;
4 and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Dr. Troxell as an expression of high regard by the
7 Texas House of Representatives.