By: Dutton

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Alliance of Black School Educators is 2 hosting its 24th annual conference March 12-15, 2009, in Houston; 3 and

WHEREAS, Affiliated with the National Alliance of Black 4 5 School Educators, TABSE was established in Austin in 1986 and is committed to improving the educational achievement of African 6 7 American students by identifying and responding to their particular needs; the organization also seeks to promote education overall, to 8 9 form a strong coalition of educators, and to create a forum for the exchange of ideas on increasing opportunities for minority 10 11 students; members work together to help facilitate a nurturing 12 classroom environment for African American students and to ensure that they receive equitable and high-quality education; and 13

14 WHEREAS, This year's conference is focused on the theme "Education is a Civil Right," and it is open to alliance members, as 15 well as supporters, parents, school board trustees, retired 16 educators, counselors, and college students; participants will 17 examine issues of importance to both public and private school 18 educators, including the role of fine arts in the classroom, the 19 relationship between home and school, standardized testing, 20 21 education in the 21st century, and motivation; they will also discuss such professional concerns as retirement trends and 22 23 aspiring teachers' and principals' academies and will have the opportunity to attend a variety of workshops and symposiums; and 24

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1 WHEREAS, TABSE members are dedicated to building a solid 2 academic foundation for their students, and their collective 3 efforts have enhanced the lives of countless young Texans and 4 benefited schools across the state; now, therefore, be it

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5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 6 Legislature hereby commemorate the 2009 conference of the Texas 7 Alliance of Black School Educators and extend to all those 8 associated with the organization sincere best wishes for a 9 successful and memorable event; and, be it further

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

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