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H.R. No. 738

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, J. T. Stevens Elementary School in Fort Worth was
2 named a 2008 Just for the Kids--Higher Performing School by the
3 National Center for Educational Achievement; and

4 WHEREAS, Established in 1995 by the NCEA, Just for the Kids is
5 a program designed to find and fulfill every school's potential for
6 reaching academic excellence and to ensure that all students are
7 prepared for college and careers; JFTK identifies Higher Performing
8 Schools that meet stringent criteria over multiple years and across
9 all subjects; the best practices of these institutions are measured
10 to determine a framework for improvement in other schools, and the
11 Higher Performing Schools serve as models for raising scholastic
12 standards nationwide; and

13 WHEREAS, Known as the "Home of the Cardinals," J. T. Stevens
14 Elementary is skillfully led by principal Ronald D. Schultze and
15 assistant principal Ameritha Freeman; this noteworthy school
16 operates by the motto, "Stand Proud, Work Hard, Dream Big, Catch the
17 Spirit!" and seeks to fulfill its mission of providing a rigorous
18 learning environment that results in high achievement for all
19 students; and

20 WHEREAS, Through commitment, hard work, and perseverance,
21 the teachers and students of J. T. Stevens Elementary School have
22 built an impressive academic record, and their outstanding efforts
23 were duly recognized with this Higher Performing School
24 designation; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
2 Legislature hereby honor J. T. Stevens Elementary School on its
3 selection as a 2008 Just for the Kids--Higher Performing School and
4 extend to its teachers, students, and staff sincere best wishes for
5 continued success; and, be it further

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