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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Since its establishment in November 2008, the
2 Mother/Daughter Program at Gus Garcia Middle School in Austin has
3 helped to make a positive difference in the lives of its
4 participants; and

5 WHEREAS, Directed by sixth grade counselor Faye
6 Thomas-Terrell, the Mother/Daughter Program aims to increase the
7 graduation rate among the underserved female population, emphasize
8 higher education, and increase parental involvement; and

9 WHEREAS, Students are recommended by faculty and staff who
10 see in them a desire to be academically successful and the potential
11 to benefit from the extra support of a mentor, increased
12 self-esteem, more one-on-one time with their mothers, career
13 counseling, and support in a small group setting; and

14 WHEREAS, A meeting is held each month for the student
15 participants and their mothers, who learn how to motivate and
16 encourage their daughters to pursue their goals; and

17 WHEREAS, Supported by principal Dr. Helen Johnson, this
18 worthwhile initiative is helping to build vital relationships while
19 assisting young Texans on their journey toward success; now,
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
22 Legislature hereby honor the Mother/Daughter Program at Gus Garcia
23 Middle School and extend to all those involved with the group
24 sincere best wishes for the future.