By: Martinez H.R. No. 903

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the 2008-2009 mariachi band from 2 Pharr-San Juan-Alamo High School brought great distinction to their school by earning a number of notable accolades in University 3 Interscholastic League music competitions; and 4 5 WHEREAS, PSJA High School had 18 students achieve a Division 1 rating; two violin players, Ashley Alvarez and Lisa Rojas, were 6 7 recognized for performing class 3 solos, while acknowledgment for performing class 2 solos went to Lee Carrera on viola, Maggie Cantu 8 9 on cello, and Anhalie Farias on violin; moreover, 13 band members qualified for class 1 solo honors: Jason Aguilera on viola, Andrew 10 11 Balandrano on violin and marimba, Julian Caballero on violin and 12 viola, Gerardo Leon on cello, Michael Lizcano on violin, Yesenia Franks on viola, Itzchelli Garcia on violin, Leah Jasso, Selina 13 14 Sandoval on violin, Orlando Tijerina on violin, Janet Vasquez on viola, Kristina Santana, and Christine Martinez on viola; 15 16 addition, Mr. Caballero, Mr. Leon, Mr. Lizcano, and Ms. Martinez received the rating for class 1 string quartet performance; and 17 18 WHEREAS, Several other achievements were earned by the PSJA High School mariachi musicians; Mr. Aguilera, Mr. Balandrano, Mr. 19 Caballero, Mr. Leon, Mr. Lizcano, Ms. Franks, Ms. Garcia, Ms. 20 21 Jasso, Mr. Tijerina, Ms. Vasquez, Ms. Santana, and Ms. Martinez qualified for the 2009 Texas State Solo & Ensemble Contest; Mr. 22 23 Caballero and Ms. Martinez each participated in the Region 15 All-Region Orchestra, with Ms. Martinez playing first chair violin; 24

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- 1 Ms. Santana sang with the All-District Choir, and Ms. Jasso took
- 2 part in the All-Region Choir; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Each of these notable honors represents the
- 4 culmination of countless hours of hard work and dedication, and the
- 5 student-musicians of the PSJA mariachi program will carry the
- 6 memory of these accomplishments with them for many years to come;
- 7 now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 9 Legislature hereby congratulate the members of the Pharr-San
- 10 Juan-Alamo High School mariachi program on their myriad competitive
- 11 achievements and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued
- 12 success and happiness; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for the program as an expression of high regard by the
- 15 Texas House of Representatives.