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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Sebetha Jenkins retired in 2008 after a notable
- 2 18-year tenure as president of Jarvis Christian College; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Dr. Jenkins became the 10th president of Jarvis
- 4 Christian College and the institution's first female head in 1990,
- 5 and through the years, her dedication and ability to inspire others
- 6 have earned the respect and admiration of her colleagues; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Under her outstanding leadership, the school has
- 8 seen enrollment climb to its highest levels, as well as a marked
- 9 increase in alumni contributions and involvement; students have
- 10 also benefited from the addition of several new facilities,
- 11 including the Sebetha Jenkins Living and Learning Complex and the
- 12 Ronald L. Hay Student Services Center; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Jenkins has further distinguished herself as a
- 14 member of the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black
- 15 Colleges and Universities, to which she was appointed by President
- 16 Bill Clinton; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Jarvis Christian College has been greatly enriched
- 18 by the dedication and vision that Dr. Sebetha Jenkins has brought to
- 19 the office of president, and it is indeed fitting that she be
- 20 honored for her achievements; now, therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 22 Legislature hereby recognize Dr. Sebetha Jenkins on the occasion of
- 23 her retirement as president of Jarvis Christian College and commend
- 24 her for her many years of service to the college; and, be it further

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- 1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 2 prepared for Dr. Jenkins as an expression of high regard by the
- 3 Texas House of Representatives.