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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Westwood Junior High School in Dallas was awarded
2 "Recognized" status by the Texas Education Agency in 2008; and
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WHEREAS, To ensure that all students in Texas benefit from the highest standards of education, the TEA instituted an accountability rating system for the state's public schools and districts; a campus gains "Recognized" status if at least 75 percent of its students pass each of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills subject area tests, and in 2008, only 34

percent of all schools earned this distinction; and 9 WHEREAS, Westwood is the Richardson Independent School 10 District's Math, Science, and Leadership Magnet and has earned 11 12 "Recognized" status every year since 2004; providing instruction for youth in grades seven and eight, the school currently has an 13 14 enrollment of approximately 640 students who develop their skills and knowledge in such programs as the RISD/Texas Instruments Math 15 Initiative, the Science Olympiad, and Advancement Via Individual 16 Determination; guided by principal Peggy Dillon, the faculty and 17 staff strive to help their pupils realize their full potential; and 18 WHEREAS, The teachers and students of Westwood Junior High 19 School have demonstrated outstanding dedication and perseverance 20 21 in their pursuit of academic excellence, and they may indeed take justifiable pride in the accolade their school has received from 22 23 the State of Texas; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby honor Westwood Junior High School on its
- 2 achievement of a "Recognized" rating from the Texas Education
- 3 Agency in 2008 and extend to its students, teachers, and staff
- 4 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 7 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1012 was adopted by the House on April 2, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House