R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, Forestridge Elementary School in Dallas was awarded

2   "Exemplary" status by the Texas Education Agency in 2008; and

3   WHEREAS, To ensure that all students in Texas benefit from

4   the highest standards of education, the TEA instituted an

5   accountability rating system for the state's public schools and

6   districts; a campus gains "Exemplary" status if at least 90 percent

7   of its students pass each of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and

8   Skills subject area tests, and in 2008, only 12 percent of all

9   schools earned this notable distinction; and

10   WHEREAS, One of 41 elementary schools in the Richardson

11   Independent School District, Forestridge Elementary serves

12   approximately 690 students in prekindergarten through the sixth

13   grade; under the skilled leadership of principal Kathy Higgins and

14   assistant principal Jennifer Wilson, the school's faculty members

15   are caring and committed, and they encourage parents to become

16   actively involved in the education of their children; and

17   WHEREAS, The teachers and students of Forestridge Elementary

18   have demonstrated outstanding dedication and perseverance in their

19   pursuit of academic excellence, and they may indeed take

20   justifiable pride in the prestigious accolade their school has

21   received from the State of Texas; now, therefore, be it

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

23   Legislature hereby honor Forestridge Elementary School on its

24   achievement of an "Exemplary" rating from the Texas Education

1 Agency in 2008 and extend to its students, teachers, and staff

2 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

3   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

4 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas

5 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1013 was adopted by the House on April 2, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House