

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The education of young Texans is a vital enterprise
2 for every school in the Lone Star State, and Our Mother of Mercy
3 Catholic School in Beaumont has dedicated itself admirably to that
4 worthy goal for more than eight decades; and

5 WHEREAS, Opened in 1927, the institution was established in
6 an effort to provide area schoolchildren with a quality education
7 in a religious environment; today, it remains the only
8 predominantly African American school in the Diocese of Beaumont;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, The school serves students in prekindergarten
11 through sixth grade, and academic performance is enhanced by small
12 class size and by teachers who make an effort to work one-on-one
13 with each pupil; and

14 WHEREAS, Faith plays an integral role in the curriculum, and
15 educators and students alike thrive under the leadership of Father
16 Henry Davis and principal Dolores Fulton; and

17 WHEREAS, With nine classrooms, a library, and a computer lab,
18 the facility continues to grow to meet the needs of its student
19 body; in the spring of 2009, the school is celebrating the opening
20 of its new gymnasium, which was made possible by a generous \$1
21 million donation from a former student; and

22 WHEREAS, Throughout its rich history, Our Mother of Mercy
23 Catholic School has provided a well-rounded education and
24 encouraged academic achievement and personal excellence, and in so

1 doing it has helped ensure a bright future for generations of
2 students; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
4 Legislature hereby commend Our Mother of Mercy Catholic School for
5 its efforts in behalf of the youth of Beaumont and extend to all
6 those associated with the institution sincere best wishes for
7 continued success; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas
10 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1216

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1216 was adopted by the House on April 16, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House