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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Forest Lane Academy of the Richardson Independent

2 School District was awarded "Recognized" status by the Texas

3 Education Agency in 2008; and

WHEREAS, To ensure that all students in Texas benefit from

5 the highest standards of education, the TEA instituted an

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

7 districts; a campus gains "Recognized" status if 75 percent of its

8 students pass each of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

9 subject area tests, and in 2008, only 34 percent of all schools

10 earned this notable distinction; and

11 WHEREAS, An elementary school, Forest Lane Academy serves

approximately 600 students enrolled in prekindergarten through the

sixth grade; through the years, the school has been recognized with

14 five Superintendent's Medallions and two Superintendent's Gold

15 Medallions; moreover, it was a TEA Recognized School in 2005-2006

16 and received a Texas Educator Excellence Grant in 2006; skillfully

17 led by principal Pam Aitken with the assistance of Laurie Taylor and

18 Olivia Salinas, the school's dedicated faculty members strive to

19 meet the needs of all students by identifying and building on their

20 individual strengths; and

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21 WHEREAS, The teachers and students of Forest Lane Academy

22 have demonstrated outstanding dedication and perseverance in their

23 pursuit of academic excellence, and they may indeed take

24 justifiable pride in the accolade their school has received from

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- 1 the State of Texas; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby honor Forest Lane Academy on its achievement of
- 4 a "Recognized" rating from the Texas Education Agency in 2008 and
- 5 extend to its students, teachers, and staff sincere best wishes for
- 6 continued success; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 9 House of Representatives.