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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The outstanding staff of Dobie Primary Elementary 2 School have made great strides in their mission to help children 3 become lifelong learners and achieve academic success through 4 family participation and community support; and

5 WHEREAS, Located in North Dallas, Dobie Primary was 6 established in 1968 to serve students of Richardson ISD; through 7 the years, the school's population has grown and diversified, and 8 the institution, under the able leadership of principal Kay 9 Reynolds, now offers prekindergarten, kindergarten, Even Start, 10 and a preschool program for children with disabilities; and

11 WHEREAS, Today, families of students enrolled at Dobie 12 Primary speak 30 different languages and dialects; more than 80 13 percent of the children speak only Spanish and attend bilingual 14 classes in an effort to achieve English fluency; and

15 WHEREAS, Recognizing the important role parents play in their 16 children's education, Dobie Primary holds ESL classes two nights 17 each week for more than 300 parents and children, while an 18 additional 100 mothers and fathers attend daytime classes in the 19 Dobie Family Literacy Center; and

WHEREAS, Dobie Primary is justifiably proud that the majority of its Early Childhood faculty speak more than one language and that their commendable efforts have contributed to a substantial reduction in the mobility rate of students in the last decade; staff members also ensure that all children eat breakfast each day,

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3 WHEREAS, By embracing and adapting to the diversity of its 4 students, Dobie Primary is providing Texas youth with a pathway to a 5 promising future, illuminated by the joy of learning, paved by 6 knowledge, and marked by accomplishment; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 8 Legislature hereby honor Dobie Primary Elementary School for its 9 service to the North Dallas community and extend to its 10 administration, faculty, and staff sincere best wishes for 11 continued success with their important work; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 13 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas 14 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1220 was adopted by the House on April 16, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House