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H.R. No. 1289

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Harmony Science Academy-Fort Worth was awarded
2 "Exemplary" status by the Texas Education Agency in 2008; and

3 WHEREAS, Under TEA's accountability rating system for the
4 state's public schools and districts, a campus gains "Exemplary"
5 status if at least 90 percent of its students pass each of the Texas
6 Assessment of Knowledge and Skills subject area tests, and in 2008
7 only 12 percent of all schools earned this notable distinction; and

8 WHEREAS, HSA-Fort Worth, a charter school, received a gold
9 performance acknowledgment in reading, writing, science, and
10 social studies; its students have also excelled in recent academic
11 competitions: at the Fort Worth Regional Science and Engineering
12 Fair, they brought their school the first-place Martha Hickey Award
13 by winning a total of 50 individual awards; 22 of the students
14 qualified to move on to the statewide competition, and 3 teachers
15 were recognized for their success in encouraging participation in
16 the fair; HSA-FW students also won several division awards and
17 special awards at the Exxon Mobil State Science and Engineering
18 Fair in San Antonio; and

19 WHEREAS, In addition, the middle school robotics team, making
20 its inaugural appearance at the North Texas *FIRST* LEGO League
21 Championship, won first place at its level in the robot design
22 category and placed second in robot performance; subsequently, the
23 team was invited to Southern Methodist University to showcase its
24 robot at a tech expo; the HSA-FW Science Olympiad team made a fine

1 showing at the Tarleton State University Regional Science Olympiad
2 for the third year in a row; and

3 WHEREAS, The teachers and students of Harmony Science
4 Academy-Fort Worth have demonstrated outstanding dedication and
5 perseverance in their pursuit of academic excellence, and they may
6 take justifiable pride in the prestigious accolade their school has
7 received from the State of Texas and in their many other
8 accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
10 Legislature hereby honor Harmony Science Academy-Fort Worth on its
11 achievement of an "Exemplary" rating from the Texas Education
12 Agency in 2008 and extend to its students, teachers, and staff
13 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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