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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Verda Herrington is retiring as assistant band
- 2 director at Clint Small, Jr. Middle School in Austin, drawing to a
- 3 close a notable career in music education that has spanned four
- 4 decades; and
- 5 WHEREAS, A native of Freer, Ms. Herrington studied trumpet at
- 6 The University of Texas at Austin, where she earned her bachelor's
- 7 degree in music education and her master's degree in music
- 8 literature; and
- 9 WHEREAS, During her distinguished career in music education,
- 10 Ms. Herrington has served as director of bands at Alamo Junior High
- 11 School in Midland, Webb Middle School and Anderson High School in
- 12 Austin, Kleb Intermediate School and Klein High School in Klein,
- 13 and Westview Middle School and Pflugerville High School in
- 14 Pflugerville; and
- WHEREAS, Since 2004, Ms. Herrington has assisted with the
- 16 Symphonic Winds and the Wind Ensemble at Small Middle School, where
- 17 she has also taught beginning clarinet, tuba, and trumpet; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Throughout her 40-year career, this outstanding
- 19 music educator has led both high school and junior high school bands
- 20 to highest honors at University Interscholastic League contests,
- 21 and many of her students have gone on to distinguished careers as
- 22 performers, conductors, and music teachers; moreover, Ms.
- 23 Herrington has been inducted into the Phi Beta Mu Hall of Fame; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Verda Herrington's dedication, professionalism, and

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- 1 lifelong commitment to music education have greatly benefited her
- 2 students, and she may indeed reflect with pride on a career well
- 3 spent as she embarks on the next exciting chapter of her life; now,
- 4 therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby congratulate Verda Herrington on her retirement
- 7 from Clint Small, Jr. Middle School and extend to her sincere best
- 8 wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Ms. Herrington as an expression of high regard by the
- 11 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2057 was adopted by the House on May 19, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House