## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, During 2009, the students, faculty, staff, and 2 administrators of T. J. Lee Elementary School in Irving are commemorating the 50th anniversary of the school's establishment; 3 4 and 5 WHEREAS, Lee Elementary provides an outstanding learning environment through the dedicated efforts of its exemplary 6 7 instructors, several of whom have been recognized by the Texas Professional Educators 8 Association of for 9 performance; students have benefited greatly, as indicated by such 10 notable accomplishments as the second-place standing in regional

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team; and

WHEREAS, Committed to providing young people with a nurturing environment, the faculty and staff work to help students develop social skills and individual responsibility; the Sarah Cahill Good Citizen Award is an honor given to a student who exhibits good citizenship and the values of friendship and is named for a former student who epitomized these qualities; T. J. Lee also has been the district's leader in all recycling efforts for many years and has won the first-place award for the Irving Arts Center Christmas tree decorating contest three separate times; and

competition achieved by the fifth-grade Destination ImagiNation

WHEREAS, The school's administrators and members of its food services department recognize that healthy students are more productive learners now and for a lifetime, and T. J. Lee has been

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- 1 named by the USDA as the first Silver and the first Gold school in
- 2 Texas for its commitment to the highest levels of nutrition and
- 3 physical education; and
- WHEREAS, Parents and members of the community are encouraged
- 5 to be involved in the educational process; the school is a member of
- 6 the Texas PTA and was the first school in the Irving Independent
- 7 School District to start an annual Block Party, which brings
- 8 together community members, students, and parents to kick off the
- 9 school year with food and fun; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Over the course of five eventful decades, T. J. Lee
- 11 Elementary School has educated thousands of Irving students and
- 12 provided a foundation on which they could build rewarding and
- 13 fulfilling lives; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 15 Legislature hereby commemorate the 50th anniversary of the opening
- 16 of T. J. Lee Elementary School in Irving and extend to all those
- 17 associated with the school sincere best wishes for continued
- 18 success; and, be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 20 prepared for T. J. Lee Elementary School as an expression of high
- 21 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2232 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House