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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, During 2009, the students, faculty, staff, and
2 administrators of T. J. Lee Elementary School in Irving are
3 commemorating the 50th anniversary of the school's establishment;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Lee Elementary provides an outstanding learning
6 environment through the dedicated efforts of its exemplary
7 instructors, several of whom have been recognized by the
8 Association of Texas Professional Educators for superior
9 performance; students have benefited greatly, as indicated by such
10 notable accomplishments as the second-place standing in regional
11 competition achieved by the fifth-grade Destination ImagiNation
12 team; and

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

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

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

4 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

14 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.