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H.R. No. 2627

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In her first year of classroom teaching since the
2 mid-1990s, Lisa Waddill has been nominated for 2008-2009 Teacher of
3 the Year at Purple Sage Elementary School in the Round Rock
4 Independent School District; and

5 WHEREAS, Ms. Waddill earned her master's degree in elementary
6 education as a member of the inaugural graduating class of the
7 Teacher Fellows Program at Texas State University--San Marcos;
8 after establishing her career in education, she undertook a 13-year
9 sabbatical to devote her time and energy to raising her two
10 children, Ashlynn and Dylan, who are now 14 and 11 years old; and

11 WHEREAS, While away from classroom teaching, Ms. Waddill
12 worked for Sylvan Learning and as a private tutor; she also stayed
13 involved in education by teaching the first-grade class at her
14 church; and

15 WHEREAS, Returning to full-time teaching for the 2008-2009
16 school year, Ms. Waddill achieved a significant benchmark when
17 every student in her fourth-grade class passed the writing,
18 reading, and math portions of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and
19 Skills; moreover, her tireless efforts in preparing and
20 implementing the 6+1 Trait Writing model contributed to a higher
21 passing rate on one portion of the writing assessment among all
22 Purple Sage fourth-graders; and

23 WHEREAS, Lisa Waddill is a caring and skilled educator whose
24 ability, enthusiasm, and commitment to excellence are duly

1 recognized by her teacher of the year nomination; now, therefore,
2 be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
4 Legislature hereby congratulate Lisa Waddill on her nomination for
5 2008-2009 Teacher of the Year at Purple Sage Elementary School and
6 extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for Ms. Waddill as an expression of high regard by the
10 Texas House of Representatives.