SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 366

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pleasure in recognizing the Irving Independent School District on its 100th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The Irving Independent School District began observing its centennial in January of this year and is celebrating 100 Years of Learning on April 23, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The district was created by law on April 23, 1909, and was formed by merging the community schools of Kit and Lively; the district held its classes in a single two-room building on the corner of 2nd Street and Jefferson Street and served 125 students; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, the district has experienced tremendous growth, and it now includes almost 40 schools and learning centers; it serves approximately 33,000 students, employs more than 4,000 people, and encompasses 48.5 square miles; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its history, the Irving Independent School District has consistently aimed at providing the resources, programs, and educational environment that inspire excellence in student performance; and

WHEREAS, During the 2007-2008 school year, 26 of the district's schools earned 66 Gold Performance acknowledgments from the Texas Education Agency, and 107 students were recognized as Advanced Placement Scholars; in addition, the district is known for providing extensive computer access for students and teachers; it was selected by Microsoft Corporation as the first

Microsoft Center of Excellence for its innovative use of technology; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its course of development, the district has remained faithful to its core values of offering an academically sound education to each of its students and meeting the high standards and expectations of the Irving community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend the Irving Independent School District on its success and its exemplary role in the field of public education and extend congratulations to all associated with the district on its 100th anniversary; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of the Irving Independent School District.

Harris, Shapiro

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate