## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 818

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Barbara Jean Jones-Vickers, who is retiring on June 4, 2009, after 20 years of outstanding service to the Dallas Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, A 1961 graduate of James Madison High School, Mrs. Vickers earned a degree from Bishop College and joined the Dallas Independent School District in 1989 after working in the private sector for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Vickers served as the lead instructor in the Career Connection Department at the H. W. Longfellow Career Exploration Academy; an inspiring and gifted teacher, she captured the imagination and attention of her students; and

WHEREAS, A positive influence in the lives of her students, Mrs. Vickers gave generously of her time and energy to help them with their work, and she instilled in them a sense of pride and a lifelong love of learning; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary educator who was named Teacher of the Year on more than one occasion, Mrs. Vickers is respected and admired by her colleagues and students alike, and her presence at the H. W. Longfellow Career Exploration Academy will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend Barbara Jean Jones-Vickers for her exemplary contributions to the Dallas Independent School District and extend to her best wishes for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 4, 2009.

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate