By: Paxton H.R. No. 31

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Nell Burks Elementary School in McKinney is the 2

first campus to be designated as a Healthy Zone School as part of

the Healthy Zone School Recognition Program; and 3

WHEREAS, Developed by the Cooper Institute in partnership 4

5 with the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas and the Texas Education

Agency, the initiative uses evidence-based knowledge and best 6

7 practices to assist schools in creating an optimal environment for

promoting healthy behaviors; a total of nine schools nationwide 8

9 will receive the award over the next three years; additionally,

10 select schools that are working toward the goal of improving the

health of their students, parents, and teachers with guidance from 11

12 the Cooper Institute are recognized as Healthy Zone Schools--In

13 Training; and

14 WHEREAS, Burks Elementary achieved the designation by

meeting certain established criteria, including encouraging 60 15

16 minutes of vigorous physical activity day, promoting

17 interscholastic and intramural sports, and providing nutritional

options such as whole grains, fruit, and vegetables on the school 18

menu; along with the recognition, the school receives a Healthy 19

Zone banner and flag, \$1,500 for physical education equipment, and 20

funding for activity promotions; and 21

WHEREAS, Distinguished as a champion in health, nutrition, 22

and physical education, Burks Elementary is a leading example for

other schools in its community, and it is indeed a pleasure to honor 24

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- 1 all those associated with the campus for their outstanding efforts;
- 2 now, therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 4 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Nell Burks
- 5 Elementary School on earning recognition as a Healthy Zone School
- 6 and extend to the students, staff, faculty, and parents sincere
- 7 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 9 prepared for Burks Elementary as an expression of high regard by the
- 10 Texas House of Representatives.