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H.C.R. No. 162

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Space Center Intermediate Band in Houston is one
2 of only three ensembles in the nation to earn the 2010 Sudler Cup
3 from the John Philip Sousa Foundation; and

4 WHEREAS, This prestigious annual award is presented to junior
5 high and middle school concert band programs that have demonstrated
6 a consistent commitment to excellence over a period of several
7 years, and Space Center Intermediate is the only school to ever win
8 the cup twice; its first cup in 1999 recognized the excellence of
9 the band program under its founding director, Gregory Dick, while
10 its most recent achievement is a testament to the band's continuing
11 excellence under Donald McCandless, director since 2000; and

12 WHEREAS, Since Space Center Intermediate School opened in
13 1992, the band has won numerous prizes and medals, including a total
14 of 40 Sweepstakes Awards at University Interscholastic League
15 competitions, and it was named a 2008 national winner in the Mark of
16 Excellence/National Wind Band Honors Project; in addition, Space
17 Center students have won more than 5,000 medals for solo and
18 ensemble performances; and

19 WHEREAS, Building on a long-standing tradition of
20 achievement, the talented student musicians of the Space Center
21 Intermediate Band have earned great distinction for themselves and
22 their school, and it is indeed a pleasure to honor them; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas

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1 hereby congratulate the Space Center Intermediate Band on its
2 receipt of a 2010 Sudler Cup from the John Philip Sousa Foundation
3 and extend to the band's directors and musicians sincere best
4 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for the band as an expression of high regard by the Texas
7 House of Representatives and Senate.