RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Dallas Association for Bilingual Education
- 2 (DABE) works to enhance the quality of education provided for
- 3 Dallas area children and to ensure the equality of educational
- 4 opportunity available to all segments of the community's diverse
- 5 population; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Recognizing the special educational needs of
- 7 schoolchildren with limited English-speaking ability and committed
- 8 to addressing those needs, concerned members of the Dallas
- 9 education community founded DABE to promote bilingual,
- 10 multicultural programs of instruction in the Dallas Independent
- 11 School District and other school districts in the North Texas
- 12 Metroplex area; and
- WHEREAS, Underlying the programs and methods advocated by the
- 14 association is the fundamental premise that equality of educational
- 15 opportunity can be achieved through bilingual education without
- 16 sacrificing the equally important goal of academic excellence; and
- 17 WHEREAS, By promoting bilingual education and multicultural
- 18 programs for every student, the association hopes not only to
- 19 provide a quality education for students with limited English
- 20 proficiency but also to instill in all schoolchildren an
- 21 appreciation of the contributions made by every group in an
- 22 ethnically and culturally diverse society; and
- WHEREAS, Since 1986, DABE has been affiliated with the Texas
- 24 Association for Bilingual Education and has been active in

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- 1 statewide efforts to address relevant issues at the state and
- 2 national level as well as at the local level; since joining forces
- 3 with the state organization, the Dallas association has greatly
- 4 expanded its reach, increasing its ability to serve as an
- 5 educational resource, to provide training for teachers operating in
- 6 a bilingual classroom environment, and to take a multifaceted,
- 7 comprehensive approach in furthering its objectives; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The 2012 installation of DABE officers provides a
- 9 fitting opportunity to recognize this fine organization and to
- 10 commend all involved on their impressive achievements; now,
- 11 therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 13 Legislature hereby honor the Dallas Association for Bilingual
- 14 Education on its outstanding record of service to the community and
- 15 its noteworthy dedication to its goal of improving the quality of
- 16 education provided in this state and congratulate the 2012 DABE
- 17 officers; and, be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 19 prepared for the association as an expression of high esteem by the
- 20 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 41 was adopted by the House on February 24, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House