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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Carolyn G. Bukhair, a distinguished educator and
administrator, has rendered exceptional service to the Richardson
Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Lamar State University, Carolyn Bukhair went on to earn a master of education degree with honors from Southern Methodist University and a doctor of education degree in administrative leadership from the University of North Texas; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Bukhair spent the major part of her career with the Richardson ISD, where she served for 30 years; after working as 10 11 a teacher and reading consultant, she began her steady advancement 12 in education administration when she became principal of Richardson's Yale Elementary in 1978; in 1996, she was named 13 14 superintendent of the Richardson school district, a position she held until her retirement in 2004; Dr. Bukhair then coordinated the 15 16 Superintendents' Academy for the Region 10 Education Service Center until being asked to assist the Richardson ISD as 17 interim superintendent; while serving in that post from August 12, 2009, to 18 March 21, 2010, she provided stability during a time of change; and 19

20 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan is the recipient of many 21 well-deserved accolades, including selection in 1999 and 2003 as a 22 finalist for the Texas Superintendent of the Year award given by the 23 Texas Association of School Boards; she has also received the Texas 24 PTA Service Award, the Hero for Children Award from the Dallas Child

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and Family Guidance Center, and a YMCA Special Award for Woman of 1 the Year; in addition, the Texas Association of School Librarians 2 3 has conferred on her the Distinguished Library Service Award for School Administrators, and Texas School Business magazine has 4 5 chosen her as Educator of the Month; while she was still serving as superintendent, the Richardson ISD recognized her illustrious 6 tenure by naming the Carolyn G. Bukhair Elementary School in her 7 8 honor; and

9 WHEREAS, The energy, enthusiasm, and commitment to 10 excellence that Dr. Bukhair has brought to all her endeavors in the Richardson ISD have helped countless students to acquire a solid 11 12 educational foundation, an asset that will contribute immeasurably to their future success and to the future progress of the Lone Star 13 14 State; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 16 Legislature hereby commend Dr. Carolyn Bukhair for her outstanding 17 service in behalf of the Richardson Independent School District and 18 extend to her sincere best wishes for continued happiness and 19 fulfillment; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 21 prepared for Dr. Bukhair as an expression of high regard by the 22 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 303 was adopted by the House on February 24, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House