

By: Button

H.R. No. 303

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

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

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

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

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