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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Jourdanton Independent School District is

celebrating the 100th anniversary of its founding in 2011; and

3 WHEREAS, Located in Atascosa County south of San Antonio, the

town of Jourdanton was established in 1909 and experienced a

population boom over the next few years; a subscription school had

6 242 students by 1910, and the state legislature authorized the

7 creation of the Jourdanton Independent School District on March 23,

8 1911; and

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9 WHEREAS, A three-story schoolhouse was built in the center of

10 the growing city, and a football field, a gymnasium, and a separate

11 annex for the high school were added on adjoining lots over the next

12 decades; eventually, smaller schools in outlying areas began

13 closing, and students from the communities of Amphion, Hilburn,

14 Lyon, Imogene, LaParita, and Christine were absorbed into

15 Jourdanton's enrollment; the downtown campus location became more

16 crowded with the growth of the student body, and construction on new

17 facilities at the school's current location were begun in 1953;

18 today, the campus encompasses three libraries, an administrative

19 building, two gymnasiums, athletic fields, and various other

20 facilities, including a high school science wing that was added in

21 2001; and

WHEREAS, Jourdanton ISD currently serves approximately 1,300

23 students from prekindergarten through high school, and it is one of

24 the few remaining districts in Texas to maintain a single-campus

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- 1 model; ably led by superintendent Dr. Lana E. Collavo, the district
- 2 employs a faculty and staff of more than 150; its students have gone
- 3 on to excel in a variety of professions, and among the district's
- 4 alumni are NASA researchers, journalists, chefs, professional
- 5 athletes, lawyers, and novelists; the district has also produced
- 6 many teachers, some of whom have returned to Jourdanton schools to
- 7 educate the next generation; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Grounded in the values of the families who have
- 9 chosen to make the Jourdanton area their home, the Jourdanton
- 10 Independent School District has provided a century's worth of
- 11 students with a solid foundation on which they could build
- 12 rewarding and fulfilling lives; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 14 Legislature hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of the
- 15 Jourdanton Independent School District and extend to all educators,
- 16 staff, and students sincere best wishes for continued success; and,
- 17 be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 19 prepared for the district as an expression of high regard by the
- 20 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 815 was adopted by the House on March 31, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House