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H.R. No. 815

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Jourdanton Independent School District is
2 celebrating the 100th anniversary of its founding in 2011; and

3 WHEREAS, Located in Atascosa County south of San Antonio, the
4 town of Jourdanton was established in 1909 and experienced a
5 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

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

22 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

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

13 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.