

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Dallas Independent School District is offering
2 students the prestigious International Baccalaureate program
3 beginning in the fall of 2011; and

4 WHEREAS, Designed for the final two years of high school, the
5 International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme prepares students
6 for success, both in college and in life; after years of careful
7 study, the two-year program has been authorized to begin at Woodrow
8 Wilson High School in Dallas and will be offered to interested
9 juniors and seniors who are willing to work hard and commit
10 themselves to rigorous assessments with international standards;
11 the program, recognized by institutions of higher learning
12 throughout the world, is supplemented by pre-IB courses already
13 available at the school; and

14 WHEREAS, Recently marking its 80th anniversary, Woodrow
15 Wilson High School is ably led by principal Ruth Vail, who helped to
16 bring the IB program to the school in collaboration with Dallas ISD
17 superintendent Michael Hinojosa and the district's board of
18 trustees; Woodrow Wilson teachers overseeing the IB courses have
19 attended workshops throughout the United States and have developed
20 outlines approved by IB administrators; students completing the
21 requirements of the challenging program can acquire 24 hours of
22 college credit for their work; and

23 WHEREAS, Further exemplifying the district's emphasis on
24 high-quality educational choices for students, J. L. Long Middle

1 School in Dallas is also working toward becoming an IB school; under
2 the expert direction of principal Danielle Petters, this
3 outstanding institution is equally committed to giving its students
4 a strong educational foundation on which to build; and

5 WHEREAS, In striving to achieve official status as
6 International Baccalaureate schools, these Dallas ISD institutions
7 are demonstrating an unwavering commitment to excellence, and they
8 may take justifiable pride in their notable efforts in behalf of
9 area schoolchildren; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
11 Legislature hereby commend Woodrow Wilson High School and
12 J. L. Long Middle School in the Dallas Independent School District
13 for their efforts to offer students the International Baccalaureate
14 program and extend to all those associated with the schools sincere
15 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
17 for the schools as an expression of high regard by the Texas House
18 of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1137

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1137 was adopted by the House on April 14, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House