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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Elaine Whitlock of Ed Hodges Elementary School has
been chosen by the Mesquite Independent School District Council of
PTAs as the 2010-2011 Elementary School Principal of the Year; and

WHEREAS, An educator for nearly four decades, Ms. Whitlock 4 5 has served as principal of Ed Hodges Elementary School since 1990; she oversees various initiatives for the students and staff, 6 7 including campus reading celebrations and an intern and resident program, and she created and implemented a Young Writer's Workshop 8 9 at her school; she regularly participates in development activities covering such topics as conflict resolution and cooperative 10 11 learning, and she sits on committees addressing diversity, 12 disadvantaged students, and other issues; and

13 WHEREAS, A native of Decatur, Ms. Whitlock is from a family 14 of educators; her mother taught music, her father was a math teacher and assistant principal, one of her daughters is a high school 15 counselor, and her other daughter is a middle school assistant 16 principal; Ms. Whitlock graduated from Mesquite High School and 17 Texas Tech University and earned a master's degree in education 18 from Texas A&M University--Commerce and a certificate in management 19 20 from Texas Woman's University; and

21 WHEREAS, Hired by the Mesquite Independent School District in 22 1969, she taught English at Walter L. Wilkinson Middle School and 23 English, government, and writing at Mesquite High School before 24 becoming an elementary school assistant principal in 1986; and

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1 WHEREAS, In all of her endeavors, Ms. Whitlock enjoys the 2 love and support of her husband, Larry, and she takes great pride in 3 her two daughters, Leslie Noble and Kelly Long, and four 4 grandchildren, Scott, Jenna, Adam, and Abby; and

5 WHEREAS, The commitment to excellence that Elaine Whitlock 6 has brought to her efforts at Ed Hodges Elementary School has 7 inspired faculty, staff, and students alike, and she is helping 8 many young Texans to acquire the skills they will need to build 9 fulfilling and productive lives; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 11 Legislature hereby congratulate Elaine Whitlock on her selection as 12 the 2010-2011 Elementary School Principal of the Year by the 13 Mesquite Independent School District Council of PTAs and extend to 14 her sincere best wishes for continued success with her important 15 work; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1240 was adopted by the House on April 14, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House