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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The public school superintendents of Texas House 2 District 117 have worked tirelessly to advance the quality of area 3 schools and provide students with a supportive and challenging 4 educational environment; and

5 WHEREAS, Collectively serving more than 120,000 students, 6 these six superintendents will graduate approximately 2,100 7 seniors from their schools in 2011; together, these administrators 8 have more than 158 years of experience in their field; and

9 WHEREAS, The superintendent of the Lytle Independent School District, Michelle Carroll-Smith, has been a part of the district 10 11 since she began first grade there over three decades ago; her 12 grandparents and parents also attended Lytle schools, and her own children are now enrolled in the district; she has been an educator 13 14 for 24 years and became the superintendent in 2000, overseeing 266 employees, more than 1,700 students, and 4 campuses, including a 15 16 state-of-the-art junior high school; and

WHEREAS, James Stansberry is the superintendent of the Medina Valley Independent School District, serving since 2007 and overseeing 5 campuses, 445 employees, and more than 3,300 students; he began his career 13 years ago with Huntington ISD, and he has also been the superintendent of the Dawson and George West districts; and

WHEREAS, Northside Independent School District
superintendent Dr. John Folks has been in the education field for

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1 four decades; leading the district since 2002, he is responsible 2 for 110 campuses, nearly 13,000 employees, and almost 95,000 3 students; and

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WHEREAS, Saul Hinojosa is the superintendent of the Somerset Independent School District, the largest employer in the city of Somerset with over 600 faculty and staff members and nearly 3,800 students on 6 campuses; he has been in education for 18 years, with 7 years' service in the district; and

9 WHEREAS, The Southside Independent School District is ably 10 guided by Dr. Juan Antonio Jasso, who became superintendent in 11 2007; supervising more than 5,000 students and some 750 employees, 12 he draws on his previous experience as superintendent of the Van 13 Vlek and Sabinal ISDs in his present post; he also founded the 14 award-winning Harlandale Extended Learning Center; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Lloyd Verstuyft has been the superintendent of 16 the Southwest Independent School District since 2010; with 32 years 17 in the district as a student and an educator, he is now in charge of 18 13 schools and approximately 11,500 students; and

WHEREAS, Those Texans who devote themselves to the education of our state's young people are truly deserving of our profound gratitude and admiration, and their contributions benefit not only their districts but their communities and beyond; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas Legislature hereby honor the superintendents of Texas House District 117 and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success with their important work; and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for these outstanding administrators as an expression of
3 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1819 was adopted by the House on May 10, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House