

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 109

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Harmony Science Academy on the special occasion of its 10th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The first Harmony Science Academy was established in Houston in 2000; there are now 33 Harmony public schools in cities across the state; and

WHEREAS, Harmony schools are high-performing K-12 public charter schools that focus on mathematics, science, engineering, and computer technologies to provide opportunities for underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, Harmony schools have earned an outstanding reputation for providing a high-quality education and proudly serve more than 16,000 students in their college preparatory schools, with a college acceptance rate of 100 percent; and

WHEREAS, Recognized among the best high schools in the nation by *United States News and World Report*, Harmony public schools have won more than 2,000 awards in local, national, and international science fairs and competitions; last year the schools hosted students from 70 countries and 47 states; and

WHEREAS, Some 14 Harmony schools have received the distinction of being designated Texas Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics Academies; the schools have become instrumental in improving educational opportunities in their communities; and

WHEREAS, The Harmony Science Academy of San Antonio is holding a 10th anniversary celebration on February 7, 2011; celebratory events will also be held in Houston, El Paso, Dallas, and Austin; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the students, faculty, and administrators of the Harmony Science Academy and Harmony public schools across the state for their exemplary efforts on behalf of the young people of this state and extend to them best wishes for a wonderful 10th anniversary celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 26, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate