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H.R. No. 49

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Anthony Tovar has served the Dallas Independent  
2 School District with distinction for three and a half decades, and  
3 his able leadership as principal of Sunset High School has gained  
4 him widespread acclaim and appreciation from students, faculty,  
5 staff, parents, and alumni alike; and

6           WHEREAS, Mr. Tovar has led Sunset High School for the past  
7 seven years, and during his tenure, graduation rates have increased  
8 by double digits while scores on TAKS tests have surged; he is an  
9 outgoing and involved principal, checking in on classrooms and  
10 walking the halls, and he attends many extracurricular activities,  
11 engaging students and parents alike and drawing on the motivational  
12 expertise he developed through decades of coaching sports; since he  
13 assumed his present post, a number of high-achieving Sunset  
14 students have won awards and other accolades or excelled in  
15 athletics; and

16           WHEREAS, Raised in Dallas, Mr. Tovar graduated from W. W.  
17 Samuel High School in 1974 and from Texas Tech University in 1978;  
18 later, he completed graduate work in education administration at  
19 Texas A&M University--Commerce; he began his employment with the  
20 Dallas ISD when he was hired to teach social studies and coach  
21 football and baseball at McAdams Middle School, and he subsequently  
22 taught and coached at Woodrow Wilson High School, W. T. White High  
23 School, and Skyline High School, where he served for 16 years; he  
24 spent three years as assistant principal at W. H. Adamson High

1 School and another three years in the same post at Molina High  
2 School before transferring to Sunset High School; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Tovar is the husband of Shannon Tovar, the  
4 principal of Grapevine High School; their fine family includes four  
5 children and two grandchildren; and

6 WHEREAS, Possessing exceptional administrative skills and a  
7 clear and ambitious vision for his school, Tony Tovar works  
8 tirelessly to ensure that every student on his campus receives a  
9 quality education in a supportive environment, and it is a  
10 privilege to recognize his immeasurable contributions to the Dallas  
11 ISD community; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
13 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Anthony Tovar on his  
14 35 years of service to the Dallas Independent School District and on  
15 his accomplishments as principal of Sunset High School and extend  
16 to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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