

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 53

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Jody F. Brandon, who is retiring after three decades of outstanding service with the Dallas Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, Jody Brandon joined the Dallas Independent School District in 1983 as a speech and language pathologist; she went on to serve as an assistant principal at several campuses before becoming principal of L. O. Donald Elementary School in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of her career, she has been an innovative and resourceful educator; while serving as a speech pathologist, she introduced such initiatives as a professional training program through which educators could learn to utilize picture communication systems with autistic students; and

WHEREAS, Under her superior leadership, L. O. Donald Elementary School earned Recognized status from the Texas Education Agency and was named a Gold School Honoree by the United States Department of Agriculture; she helped the school to secure a wide range of supplemental educational programs, and she played an important role in making the school a vital part of the community by providing volunteer opportunities for parents and offering classes in English as a second language; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary educator and administrator, she is respected and admired by her colleagues and by the countless students whose lives she has touched, and her presence with the Dallas Independent School District will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend Jody F. Brandon on her exceptional service with the Dallas Independent School District and extend to her best wishes for continued success in all her endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 12, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate