HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas is pleased to 2 recognize Nancy Blackwell, who is retiring as principal of 3 MacArthur High School on June 10, 2013, after a long and 4 distinguished career with the Aldine Independent School District; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, She joined the district in 1986 and taught at Orange 7 Grove Elementary School before moving into administration as 8 assistant principal at Carmichael Elementary School; she went on to 9 serve as principal at Worsham Elementary and Hambrick Middle 10 Schools before assuming her role at MacArthur High School in 2005; 11 and

12 WHEREAS, Under her exceptional leadership, MacArthur High 13 School has enjoyed success in a wide array of activities, from 14 academic decathlon to athletics to dance team and jazz ensemble 15 performances; it has consistently been listed among the best high 16 schools in the country by *U.S. News and World Report* and is the only 17 high school in the nation to win an Excellence in Education Award 18 from the National Center for Urban School Transformation; and

WHEREAS, She has dedicated her career to helping ensure that her students achieve graduation, and she was named the district's Secondary Principal of the Year in 2011; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary educator and administrator, she is respected and admired by her colleagues and by students throughout the district, and her presence at MacArthur High School will be

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1 greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas, 3 2nd Called Session, hereby commend Nancy Blackwell on her 4 commitment to her profession and her many achievements and extend 5 to her best wishes for continued success in all her endeavors; and, 6 be it further

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

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 14 was adopted by the House on July 18, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 14 was adopted by the Senate on July 19, 2013, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

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Governor