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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Rachel Grant of Prosper High School has been honored
2 as the 2011-2012 Speech, Debate, and Theatre Educator of the Year
3 for Texas by the National Federation of State High School
4 Associations (NFHS); and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1988, this prestigious award
6 recognizes educators who have achieved outstanding results in the
7 classroom and beyond; individuals are nominated by the NFHS state
8 contacts, which is the University Interscholastic League in Texas,
9 and nominees are then judged by the organization's Speech Committee
10 on a number of criteria, including years of service, involvement in
11 relevant school activities, and contributions to their profession;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Rachel "Racy" Grant has been an educator for 18
14 years and is a truly deserving recipient of this accolade;
15 currently the assistant principal at Prosper High, she previously
16 coached UIL speech and debate teams at Hallsville and Waskom High
17 Schools, guiding her students to win multiple state championships
18 and more than 23 individual medals; in addition, she has served as
19 the district chair of the National Forensic League, which
20 recognized her work with a Diamond Coach Award and Leading Chapter
21 Award; moreover, she represented Texas at the NFHS CX Debate Topic
22 Selection Meeting and has served the Texas Speech Communication
23 Association in numerous leadership roles; and

24 WHEREAS, A mentor and coach to new teachers and students

1 alike, Racy Grant has inspired countless young Texans to achieve
2 their full potential by harnessing the power of articulate and
3 thoughtful discourse, and she may reflect with justifiable pride on
4 her accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
6 Legislature hereby congratulate Rachel Grant on her receipt of the
7 2011-2012 Speech, Debate, and Theatre Educator of the Year Award
8 for Texas from the National Federation of State High School
9 Associations and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued
10 success; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for Ms. Grant as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.