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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The board of trustees of the McAllen Independent
School District was named the 2012 Outstanding School Board of the
Year by the Texas Association of School Administrators; and

WHEREAS, This accolade is part of the TASA awards program, 4 5 which honors school boards that have made notable efforts to improve educational performance; the McAllen ISD trustees earned 6 recognition for their innovative measures to assist students, 7 including an initiative known as Transforming Learning in the 8 Classroom, Campus, and Community; TLC3 is providing all students 9 and teachers in the district with an iPad or iPod Touch in order to 10 11 promote higher levels of engagement, creativity, and computer 12 literacy, and the program is considered to be the largest of its 13 kind in the nation; and

14 WHEREAS, For its success in integrating technology into the classroom, McAllen ISD also received a 2013 Magna Award from 15 American School Board Journal; in addition, the district was 16 inducted in 2011 into the Digital Promise League of Innovative 17 Schools and is a 2013 finalist for an H-E-B Excellence in Education 18 District Award; moreover, in 2012, McAllen ISD was invited to 19 participate in the Texas Education Agency's High Performance 20 21 Schools Consortium to help develop next-generation learning standards, assessments, and accountability systems; and 22

23 WHEREAS, Serving on the McAllen school board are president 24 Hilda Garza-DeShazo, vice president Erica de la Garza, secretary

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Debbie Crane Aliseda, and trustees Dr. Joseph M. Caporusso, Javier
Farias, Sam Saldivar, Jr., and Daniel D. Vela; and

3 WHEREAS, Through their commitment to pursuing new avenues of 4 learning, the McAllen ISD trustees are providing students with a 5 rich educational experience that will serve them well in the years 6 ahead, and the school board is indeed deserving of this prestigious 7 award; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 9 Legislature hereby congratulate the McAllen Independent School 10 District Board of Trustees on being named the 2012 Texas 11 Outstanding School Board of the Year and extend to its members 12 sincere best wishes for continued success with their important 13 work; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 15 prepared for the trustees as an expression of high regard by the 16 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1919 was adopted by the House on May 15, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House