By: Rodriguez of Bexar

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Debra Seaman of Thornton Elementary School has been
selected as a 2013 Educator of the Year by the Northside Independent
School District in San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Seaman joined the faculty of 4 Thornton 5 Elementary as a kindergarten teacher in 2009; previously, she had spent 17 years at the San Antonio Independent School District as a 6 7 teacher and the campus instructional coordinator; in her administrative role, she oversaw the implementation of several 8 9 district-wide initiatives and helped train other educators; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Seaman leads her class with positive energy and kindness, striving to build a strong base for future learning and an inclusive and welcoming community for her young students; in recognition of her outstanding work in the classroom, she has been nominated for the Disney Hand Teacher Award and for the H-E-B Excellence in Education Award three times; and

16 WHEREAS, In addition to her teaching responsibilities, Ms. Seaman has served as the kindergarten team leader for three 17 years, is a campus mentoring advisor for the district's Red Wagon 18 Induction Program, and was chosen to represent Thornton on the NISD 19 20 Strategic Planning Focus Group; moreover, she has also served on 21 the Campus Leadership Team, has organized the Kinder Roundup, and 22 coordinated with the San Antonio Astronomical Association and Starbucks to host "A Picnic Under the Stars"; active in her 23 24 community, she also supports The Children's Shelter, the San

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Antonio Police Department's Blue Santa program, the United Way, the
Northside Education Foundation, and the Diabetes Walk; and

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3 WHEREAS, Teachers play a vital role in preparing the next 4 generation of Texans for the challenges and opportunities of the 5 future, and Debra Seaman works to instill in her students a love of 6 learning that will serve them well in every aspect of their lives; 7 now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 9 Legislature hereby congratulate Debra Seaman on being named a 2013 10 Educator of the Year by Northside Independent School District and 11 extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success and 12 happiness; and, be it further

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

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