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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Marva T. Dixon of Grand Prairie is being
2 inducted into the African American Education Archives and History
3 Program Hall of Fame on April 18, 2015; and

4 WHEREAS, Engaged in the field of education for more than four
5 decades, Dr. Dixon retired as executive director of innovation and
6 support for the Grand Prairie Independent School District in 2011;
7 she began her career teaching elementary school in Durham, North
8 Carolina, and joined Grand Prairie ISD as an eighth-grade math
9 teacher in 1981; subsequently, she served as assistant principal of
10 Bonham Elementary School and as principal of Johnson and Dalworth
11 Elementary Schools; for eight years, she led general curriculum
12 services in the special education department, and she was then
13 named director of innovation and support; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Dixon has also taught courses in educational
15 leadership and special programs at Texas Christian University; she
16 has served on national, state, and regional commissions and task
17 forces, and she is the author of the guidebook *The Power of the 5 Ps:
18 What Every Educator Needs to Know*; named 1981 Teacher of the Year
19 for Jackson Middle School, she has received numerous other
20 accolades over the years, including the UTA Educational Leadership
21 Dream Conceiver Award and multiple honors from the Grand Prairie
22 branch of the NAACP; and

23 WHEREAS, This accomplished educator earned bachelor's
24 degrees from North Carolina Central University and the University

1 of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, a master's degree from NCCU, and a
2 doctorate in curriculum and instruction and educational leadership
3 from the University of North Texas; today, she provides extensive
4 support to schools and educators as the chief executive officer of
5 Dixon and Associates Consulting Services; and

6 WHEREAS, Throughout her distinguished career, Dr. Marva
7 Dixon has shown an unwavering commitment to meeting the educational
8 needs of every student, and she may indeed take pride in her myriad
9 accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
11 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Marva T. Dixon on her
12 induction into the African American Education Archives and History
13 Program Hall of Fame and extend to her sincere best wishes for
14 continued success; and, be it further

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