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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Verna George Brown Mitchell was inducted into the
2 African American Educators Hall of Fame on April 18, 2015; and

3 WHEREAS, The hall of fame is part of the African American
4 Education Archives and History Program, which since its founding in
5 2002 has focused on the vital role that education plays in the
6 African American experience in Dallas County; the organization
7 preserves important artifacts, documents, visual images, and oral
8 accounts, and its African American Educators Hall of Fame raises
9 public awareness of the significant contributions made by teachers,
10 administrators, librarians, and others; and

11 WHEREAS, Ms. Mitchell worked as a teacher and principal of a
12 number of Dallas ISD schools before assuming the role of district
13 administrator, where she supported operations in the East Oak Cliff
14 subdistrict and was the program manager for the Office of
15 Discipline and Student Services; she retired after 35 years of
16 dedicated service, but she continued to encourage students and held
17 leadership positions with Dallas Can Academy and Mount Hebron
18 Christian Academy; and

19 WHEREAS, Throughout her notable tenure, Ms. Mitchell oversaw
20 a number of developments in the district, including the
21 implementation of the after-school program at Thomas Tolbert
22 Elementary School, for which it earned designation as a national
23 site for the Lights On Afterschool program; she was selected to
24 attend The Principals' Center at the Harvard Graduate School of

1 Education, and Governor Ann Richards appointed her to serve on the
2 State ESEA committee; and

3 WHEREAS, Through her outstanding accomplishments, Verna
4 Mitchell has made a positive difference in the lives of countless
5 Texans, and she may take justifiable pride in this prestigious
6 accolade; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate Verna George Brown Mitchell on her
9 induction into the African American Educators Hall of Fame and
10 extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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