

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Through their affiliation with Texas Science,
2 Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (T-STEM), Harmony Public
3 Schools in El Paso are leading the way in providing a comprehensive
4 and academically challenging program of study that prepares young
5 Texans for success; and

6 WHEREAS, T-STEM is a public-private initiative of academies,
7 professional development centers, and networks designed to enhance
8 instruction and student performance in science- and
9 mathematics-related subjects at secondary schools; in addition to
10 drawing more students into careers in STEM fields, campuses awarded
11 the T-STEM designation by the Texas Education Agency serve as
12 demonstration schools and learning labs that develop new teaching
13 methods to be integrated into math and science classrooms; and

14 WHEREAS, Currently, only 91 schools statewide are designated
15 as T-STEM academies, and 25 of them are Harmony campuses; El Paso is
16 home to two Harmony charter schools that have implemented this
17 state-of-the-art model, Harmony Science Academy and Harmony School
18 of Innovation, which utilize a project-based approach with an
19 emphasis on student-centered teaching; teams from Harmony schools
20 also take part in FIRST Robotics, FIRST Tech Challenge, and FIRST
21 Lego League, offering students an exciting competitive outlet for
22 skills in engineering and technology; and

23 WHEREAS, The T-STEM programs at Harmony Public Schools aim to
24 inspire and nurture the ambitions of our future scientists,

1 inventors, and innovators, and in so doing, they are making a
2 tangible difference in the lives of students and the world around
3 them; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
5 Legislature hereby recognize Harmony Public Schools in El Paso for
6 their commitment to T-STEM education and extend to all those
7 involved with the El Paso T-STEM programs sincere best wishes for
8 continued success; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
10 for Harmony Science Academy and Harmony School of Innovation as an
11 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2833

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2833 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House