

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Cross Timbers Elementary School in the Azle
2 Independent School District has been named a 2016 National Blue
3 Ribbon School; and

4 WHEREAS, The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program was created
5 by the U.S. Department of Education in 1982 to recognize campuses
6 that have demonstrated overall academic excellence or made notable
7 progress in improving outcomes among disadvantaged students; Cross
8 Timbers was one of only 330 schools nationwide and one of 26 public
9 schools in Texas to earn this impressive honor in 2016; and

10 WHEREAS, Opened in 1998, Cross Timbers Elementary currently
11 serves more than 500 children in early education programs through
12 the fourth grade; this diverse campus community includes a number
13 of students from outside the Azle city limits, and a significant
14 percentage of the school population qualifies for free or
15 reduced-price meals; and

16 WHEREAS, Under the skilled leadership of principal Dee
17 Gilley, the exceptional Cross Timbers faculty and staff go above
18 and beyond to help each student succeed, offering a variety of
19 morning enrichment and tutoring opportunities; through the Grand
20 Central Station program, specially trained teachers provide
21 additional support to pupils whose average grades in a given
22 subject have fallen below 75 percent, ensuring that all students
23 master the area that is causing them difficulty and so are able to
24 keep up with the material being presented in class; moreover, the

1 school's peer tutoring program fosters a collaborative
2 environment, and student progress in academics, attendance, and
3 trustworthiness is recognized every six weeks at a schoolwide
4 awards ceremony; and

5 WHEREAS, Through their hard work and commitment to
6 excellence, the students, teachers, and staff of Cross Timbers
7 Elementary have built an outstanding record of scholastic
8 achievement, and they may take great pride in having garnered the
9 Blue Ribbon designation; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
11 Legislature hereby congratulate Cross Timbers Elementary School on
12 its selection as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School and extend to
13 all those associated with this campus sincere best wishes for
14 continued success; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 227

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 227 was adopted by the House on February 22, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House