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H.R. No. 654

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Petronila Elementary School in Robstown has been  
2 named a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School, one of the most  
3 prestigious designations an elementary or secondary school in the  
4 United States can receive; and

5           WHEREAS, The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program was created  
6 by the U.S. Department of Education in 1982 to recognize campuses  
7 that have demonstrated superior academic performance or made  
8 notable progress in improving outcomes among economically  
9 disadvantaged students; Petronila Elementary was one of only 330  
10 public and private schools nationwide and 29 schools in Texas to  
11 have earned this impressive honor in 2016; and

12           WHEREAS, Under the skillful guidance of principal Richard  
13 Gutierrez, Petronila Elementary serves some 100 students in  
14 prekindergarten through fifth grade in the Bishop Consolidated  
15 Independent School District; in 2016, the school received  
16 distinctions from the Texas Education Agency in English language  
17 arts and reading, mathematics, postsecondary readiness, student  
18 progress, and closing performance gaps; and

19           WHEREAS, Through dedication, hard work, and perseverance,  
20 the teachers and students of Petronila Elementary have established  
21 a record of scholastic excellence, and their outstanding efforts  
22 have been duly recognized with the Blue Ribbon School award; now,  
23 therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

1 Legislature hereby congratulate Petronila Elementary School on its  
2 selection as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S.  
3 Department of Education and extend to all those involved with the  
4 school sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

5       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
7 House of Representatives.