By: Canales H.R. No. 969

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Fernando Castillo of the Donna Independent School 2 District was honored with the 2017 Superintendent's Award by Abydos Learning International at the organization's annual Literacy 3 Learning Teachers' and Trainers' Conference in San Antonio; and 4 5 WHEREAS, Abydos Learning International is staff development program that trains teachers in research-based methods 6 7 for effective reading and writing instruction, and the organization bestows the prestigious Superintendent's Award upon administrators 8 9 who are committed to ensuring success in these critical areas; and WHEREAS, For more than a decade, Fernando Castillo has 10 11 advocated for literacy initiatives across Donna ISD, where he was 12 appointed superintendent in 2016; he brought Abydos Learning International to the district in 2002 while serving as principal of 13 14 Donna High School, and he has gone on to implement a phonics program called Sing, Spell, Read and Write at the 14 campuses in his 15 16 district that teach prekindergarten through second grade students; and 17 18 WHEREAS, Over the course of his tenure with Donna ISD, Fernando Castillo has exemplified the highest ideals of his

Fernando Castillo has exemplified the highest ideals of his profession, fostering a positive learning environment for students while working to equip them with a sound academic foundation on which to build, and he is indeed deserving of recognition for his accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

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

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- 1 Legislature hereby congratulate Fernando Castillo on his receipt of
- 2 the 2017 Superintendent's Award from Abydos Learning International
- 3 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be
- 4 it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- $\,$ 6 $\,$ prepared for Mr. Castillo as an expression of high regard by the
- 7 Texas House of Representatives.