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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Walker Perkins of W. B. Ray High School in Corpus 2 Christi has been selected as a finalist in the secondary school 3 category for the 2017 H-E-B Excellence in Education Rising Star 4 Award; and

5 WHEREAS, In cooperation with the Texas Association of School 6 Administrators, the H-E-B Excellence in Education Awards celebrate 7 public school professionals whose leadership and commitment 8 inspire a love of learning in students of all backgrounds and 9 abilities; and

10 WHEREAS, The Rising Star Award recognizes an outstanding 11 elementary school and secondary school teacher with less than 10 12 years of classroom experience; each winner receives a \$5,000 cash 13 prize as well as a \$5,000 grant for his or her school; and

14 WHEREAS, A native of Bryan, Walker Perkins graduated from Calallen High School in 1998 and earned his bachelor's degree magna 15 cum laude from Texas A&M University--Corpus Christi in 2009; he 16 began his teaching career at Baker Middle School in 2010, and in 17 2015 he transferred to Ray High, where he has had great success 18 teaching International Baccalaureate history classes and serving 19 20 as the director of the speech and debate program; he is also the 21 school's Destination Imagination sponsor; and

22 WHEREAS, The education of young Texans is of paramount 23 importance to the future of the Lone Star State, and Walker Perkins 24 has set a standard of excellence to which all in his profession may

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1 aspire; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Walker Perkins on his selection as a 2017 H-E-B Excellence in Education Rising Star Award finalist and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success with his important work; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for Mr. Perkins as an expression of high regard by the
Texas House of Representatives.