

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, James Douglas Richey Jr. of Tyler Junior College  
2 received the 2016 Mattie Alice Scroggin Baker Excellence in  
3 Teaching Award; and

4           WHEREAS, Since 2013, Jim Richey has served as chair of the  
5 college's English department; he first joined the faculty in 2004,  
6 and over the years, he has received many accolades, including four  
7 TRiO Teacher Awards from TJC, the Thomas H. Shelby Jr. Endowed Chair  
8 for Teaching Excellence Award, and the National Institute for Staff  
9 and Organizational Development Excellence Award; and

10           WHEREAS, Dr. Richey previously taught at Amberton  
11 University, Texas A&M University--Commerce, The University of  
12 Texas at Tyler, Panola College, and Northeast Texas Community  
13 College; he began his career as a high school teacher, and during  
14 six years with the Chapel Hill Independent School District, he  
15 served as chair of the English department and as an athletics coach  
16 as well; a graduate of TAMU--Commerce, he holds a bachelor's degree  
17 in English and secondary education, a master's degree in English,  
18 and a doctoral degree in education with a focus on supervision,  
19 curriculum, and instruction; and

20           WHEREAS, The son of Douglas and Kathy Richey, Jim Richey was  
21 born in Greenville in 1970; he attended Mount Pleasant High School  
22 and worked for a time as a professional musician, and he continues  
23 to teach private music students; in all his endeavors, he enjoys the  
24 love and support of his wife, Toni Ward Richey, and he is the proud

1 father of two children, Elizabeth and Jamey; and

2 WHEREAS, Through his exceptional commitment to higher  
3 education, Jim Richey has made a positive difference in the lives of  
4 many young Texans, and his contributions have earned the lasting  
5 respect and admiration of his students and colleagues alike; now,  
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
8 Legislature hereby congratulate James Douglas Richey Jr. on his  
9 receipt of the 2016 Mattie Alice Scroggin Baker Excellence in  
10 Teaching Award and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued  
11 success; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for Dr. Richey as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
14 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1391

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1391 was adopted by the House on April 27, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House