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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Russell D. Marshall is retiring in 2019 as 2 superintendent of the Mabank Independent School District, drawing to a close an exemplary tenure that has spanned 16 years; and 3 WHEREAS, Dr. Marshall began his 38-year career in education 4 5 as a teacher and bus driver in Gary ISD; he went on to work for Ferris ISD before becoming a secondary principal in Tenaha ISD, 6 7 where he was named superintendent in 1988, making him the youngest person to hold that position in Texas at the time; in the subsequent 8 years, he served as assistant superintendent of Henderson ISD, as 9 well as an associate professor at both Stephen F. Austin State 10 11 University and The University of Texas at Tyler; in June 2003, he 12 was hired as superintendent of Mabank ISD, and during his time at the district's helm, he has played an instrumental role in 13 14 fostering a supportive and challenging educational environment for MISD students; and 15 WHEREAS, A leader in his profession, Dr. Marshall has served 16 the University Interscholastic League in numerous capacities, 17 18 including as a member of its Waiver Review Board and as chair of the Legislative Council and the Music Committee; moreover, he has 19 helped train many Texas administrators through principal and 20 21 superintendent courses; in honor of his achievements, he was twice 22 named Region 10 Superintendent of the Year; this esteemed Texan has 23 further benefited his community as a deacon at First Baptist Church 24 Mabank; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Marshall is a graduate of Timpson High School,
- 2 and he holds an associate degree from Panola College, a bachelor's
- 3 degree in business administration and a master's degree in
- 4 education from Stephen F. Austin State University, and a doctorate
- 5 in educational leadership from Baylor University; and
- 6 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Dr. Marshall enjoys the love
- 7 and support of his wife, Tammye; he is the proud father of four
- 8 children, Jordan, Griffin, Landon, and Alden, and he has had the
- 9 pleasure of watching his family grow to include a granddaughter,
- 10 Emma; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Through his dedication, professionalism, and
- 12 commitment to excellence, Dr. Russell Marshall has helped many
- 13 young Texans acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed,
- 14 and his contributions will be remembered and appreciated for years
- 15 to come; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 17 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Russell D. Marshall on his
- 18 retirement as superintendent of the Mabank Independent School
- 19 District and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and,
- 20 be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 22 prepared for Dr. Marshall as an expression of high regard by the
- 23 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 811 was adopted by the House on March 21, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House