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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Patrice Lanette Allen graduated with a master of

2 business administration degree from Lamar University on May 13,

3 2021; and

WHEREAS, An admired educator, Dr. Allen has served James S.

5 Deady Middle School in Houston as an assistant principal during the

6 2020-2021 school year; in addition, she works with the 6th Grade and

7 ELA/ELL Teams and serves as the Title 1, secondary testing, and

8 safety coordinator; she began her career teaching English at

9 Phillis Wheatley High School and advanced to serve as a literacy

10 instructional specialist and as the campus discipline and safety

11 coordinator; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Allen also holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Baylor University, a master's degree in counseling

14 education from the University of Houston-Victoria, and a doctoral

15 degree in educational leadership from Prairie View A&M University;

16 she has conducted research on African American women serving as

17 school superintendents and aspiring to that role, and she presented

18 her research at the 2015 Research Association of Minority

19 Professors Conference; in addition, she has co-authored research on

20 Ph.D. programs in historically Black colleges and universities; and

21 WHEREAS, The daughter of Clothild Allen and Lawrence Allen

22 Jr., Dr. Allen spent most of her early years with her grandmother,

23 State Representative Dr. Alma Allen, who instilled in her the

24 importance of education; the younger Dr. Allen is supported in all

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- 1 her endeavors by the love and encouragement of her fiancé, Jae D.
- 2 Brown, and she is the proud mother of three children, Jaedis,
- 3 Jaelauryn, and Jaeson; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Patrice Allen has demonstrated an exceptional
- 5 commitment to excellence in the pursuit of her academic goals, and
- 6 in so doing, she has earned the respect and admiration of all who
- 7 are privileged to know her; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 9 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Patrice Lanette Allen on her
- 10 receipt of a master's degree in business administration from Lamar
- 11 University and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued
- 12 success; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for Dr. Allen as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 15 House of Representatives.