

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Gerardo Soto of the Harlandale Independent School
2 District has been named the 2025 Education Service Center Region 20
3 Superintendent of the Year by the Texas Association of School
4 Boards; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Soto is representing ESC Region 20 in the TASB
6 State Superintendent of the Year award program that recognizes
7 individuals for achievement and excellence in public school
8 administration; honorees demonstrate strong leadership and a
9 commitment to student success as well as to the improvement of
10 educational quality and community engagement within their
11 districts; and

12 WHEREAS, When Mr. Soto began serving as Harlandale's
13 superintendent in 2019, he brought more than 31 years of experience
14 to the office, having worked as a paraprofessional aide, teacher,
15 principal, and executive director of operations at Harlandale ISD;
16 his accomplishments as superintendent include overseeing the
17 repurposing of campuses to better meet student and staff needs and
18 launching the Educational Partners Program and the Harlandale
19 Makerspace Center, which offers hands-on learning; during his
20 tenure, Harlandale has earned the state's highest financial
21 accountability rating, and in 2022, voters approved the largest
22 bond package in district history for such major projects as the
23 Career and Technical Education Center; he also serves on the San
24 Antonio Education Partnership and UP Partnership boards; and

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1 WHEREAS, Through his unwavering dedication to Harlandale
2 ISD, Gerardo Soto has led the way in fostering a supportive and
3 challenging educational environment, and he is truly deserving of
4 this prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
6 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Gerardo Soto
7 on his selection as the 2025 ESC Region 20 Superintendent of the
8 Year and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success
9 with his important work; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 49 was adopted by the House on August 27, 2025, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House