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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 129

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1 A Resolution honoring J.H. Peet Junior High School in
2 Cedar Falls, Iowa, for becoming a 2005-2006 Blue
3 Ribbon School.

4 WHEREAS, in 2001 President Bush proposed and the
5 United States Congress enacted the No Child Left
6 Behind Act; and

7 WHEREAS, to reward successful schools, the U.S.
8 Department of Education established the No Child Left
9 Behind-Blue Ribbon Schools Program to honor those
10 elementary and secondary schools in the United States
11 that make significant progress in closing the
12 achievement gap or whose students achieve at very high
13 levels; and

14 WHEREAS, the Blue Ribbon Schools Program recognizes
15 schools, regardless of demographics, that are in the
16 top 10 percent of schools as measured by state tests
17 in both reading and mathematics; and

18 WHEREAS, students at J.H. Peet Junior High School
19 achieved all-time-high levels of proficiency in 2004-
20 2005 as measured by the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills;
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22 WHEREAS, students at Peet had an average reading
23 proficiency of 87.7 percent, an average math
24 proficiency of 91.4 percent, and an average science
25 proficiency of 97.8 percent; and

26 WHEREAS, Peet's special programs subgroup and
27 socioeconomic subgroup achieved between 70 percent and
28 100 percent proficiency in all areas; and

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1 WHEREAS, Peet was one of only five schools
2 nominated by the State of Iowa to be honored at a
3 ceremony in Washington, D.C.; and

4 WHEREAS, the recognition of J.H. Peet Junior High
5 School as a Blue Ribbon School is the result of work
6 by 500 students, their parents, their teachers, and
7 their community; NOW THEREFORE,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
9 That the House of Representatives commends and
10 applauds J.H. Peet Junior High School and its
11 students, parents, and teachers on this remarkable
12 achievement.

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