** HISD Trustee Wanda Adams organizes Prom Dress Drive with local nonprofit to support homeless and at-risk students**

**What:** Houston Independent School District Board of Education President Wanda Adams of District IX has teamed up with Carla’s Closet and This Woman’s Work to collect donations of formal attire for hundreds of homeless and at-risk HISD high school seniors planning to attend their prom.

The Prom Dress Drive will be held on Sunday, March 19 in support of the HISD’s Homeless Education Office’s Project Prom initiative. This Woman’s Work, a Houston-based nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of women and girls, will collect formal dresses, shoes, handbags, and jewelry for girls. Proceeds from the event will benefit at least 100 homeless and at-risk female students.

 “Project Prom is an annual initiative created to meet the needs of homeless and at-risk students during the prom season,” said Adams, a catalyst for the drive. She has also worked with Carla’s Closet and This Woman’s Work on other drives, including Coats for Kids, which provided coats to students in need at HISD elementary schools.

 The Prom Dress Drive event will also include motivational speakers and college and career resources.

 “We jumped at the chance to support Trustee Adams and believe in doing what we can to improve the lives of women and young girls,” said Carla Lane, founder of This Woman’s Work.

**Who:** HISD Board of Education President **Wanda Adams**, This Woman’s Work Founder **Carla Lane**, and HISD Homeless Education Office Outreach Worker **Ilka Rosado**

**When: Sunday, March 19, 1-3 p.m.**

**Where: The Gite Gallery**, 2024 Alabama St., Houston 77004

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