RESOLUTION CALLING FOR COMMON DECENCY AND RESPECTFUL BEHAVIOR IN THE HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, “Safety Above All Else” is first on the Houston Independent School District’s list of five core values; and

WHEREAS, “Provide a Safe Environment” is second only to “Increase Student Achievement” among HISD’s key board goals; and

WHEREAS, “Common Decency” and “Respect” are critical elements in the district’s Beliefs and Visions; and

WHEREAS, HISD’s Employee Conduct Policy, DH(LOCAL) carries serious consequences governing employee conduct; and

WHEREAS, we as adults will work to ensure that not only policies but also education and practices are actively in place to encourage inclusive, safe settings for children and adults, and that through our own interactions we will model the same behavior we expect from children, and

WHEREAS, every child and adult feels safe at school or at their work location within HISD and all are to be treated with understanding, dignity, and respect;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Houston Independent School District and the Board of Education calls for common decency and respectful behavior in all HISD school settings and work locations and for a renewed commitment to making sure every student and adult respects and accepts all people.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of August, 2012.

Attest:

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Secretary      President
Board of Education     Board of Education
Houston Independent School District  Houston Independent School District