

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTH TEXAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT HONORING MACKENZIE SCOTT FOR HER DONATION TO SOUTH TEXAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the only all-magnet school district in the state of Texas, South Texas Independent School District is comprised of seven magnet schools throughout the Rio Grande Valley, serving middle and high school students who live in the counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy; and

WHEREAS, South Texas Independent School District has served students of the Rio Grande Valley for nearly 60 years, developing award-winning programs that are unique, highly beneficial to students, and are ranked among the top in the state and nation; and

WHEREAS, MacKenzie Scott, a renowned philanthropist, activist and author, identified South Texas Independent School District as an institution that is distinguished by its strong leadership and track record of success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Scott awarded South Texas Independent School District with an unrestricted gift of \$8 million through a one-time donation, provided it is used for the benefit of the students of South Texas Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors and Superintendent are humbled and grateful to receive this gift, and by Board action, have approved the donation in the amount of \$8 million to a district account; and

WHEREAS, South Texas Independent School District is exploring possible ways to utilize these funds for the best use for students in current and future innovative initiatives aligning with the district's mission and goals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the South Texas Independent School District honors MacKenzie Scott for her generous donation to support the continued work of the district in providing the Rio Grande Valley with the best educational opportunities possible.

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