## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 525

WHEREAS, Youth Empowerment Services, Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving education in San Antonio and throughout the United States, celebrated its 28th anniversary on January 20, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Founded in San Antonio on January 20, 1995, YES, Inc., was originally established as a program designed to keep children and young adults engaged during the summer months; the summer program eventually evolved into a charter school that remained in operation for 16 years; and

WHEREAS, In 2010, YES, Inc., embarked on its current mission to provide high-quality training to educators, and it has since focused on helping teachers become more effective so that their students can improve academically; it has successfully trained more than 1,000 educators and has been awarded over \$100 million in state and federal grant funds; the organization has consistently provided employment to residents, recruited numerous teachers to area schools, and assisted many students by offering additional educational training and support; in addition, it annually donates items such as school supplies, blankets, clothing, and food to various homeless shelters and to holiday events within the community; and

WHEREAS, For nearly three decades, Youth Empowerment Services has made a meaningful difference in the lives of countless educators and students, and it is indeed deserving of recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby commemorate the 28th anniversary of Youth Empowerment Services, Inc., and extend to all those involved with the organization sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for YES, Inc., as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 8, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate