## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the 23rd Annual Texas Parent Coordinating Council Conference, which is taking place at the Civic Center Grand Plaza in Amarillo from February 5 through 7, 2003; and

WHEREAS, The conference is sponsored by the Title 1 Part A Education, Migrant Education, and Bilingual/ESL Education divisions of the Texas Education Agency; this important event targets parents of students served by the sponsoring divisions; and

WHEREAS, The 23rd annual conference is called "Pathway to New Horizons"; the goals of the conference are "to plant seeds of knowledge, to grow strength, and to harvest success"; and

WHEREAS, To foster parental involvement in education, the council is hosting an awards ceremony; in recognition of the important roles parents play in the education of their children, the council will be sponsoring a 2003 Parent of the Year Award; the award will be presented to three parents for their distinguished service in education through their active participation, leadership, and commitment; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the 2003 Distinguished Service Award will be presented to a schoolteacher, teacher aide, school administrator, or community representative who has provided distinguished service, commitment, and leadership in fostering parental involvement in a school campus or district-wide program; and

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WHEREAS, The work of the Texas Parent Coordinating Council in promoting children's learning by fostering parental involvement is important to our state's educational system, and the council deserves recognition for the positive impact it has on the young people of Texas; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,

78th Legislature, hereby express appreciation to the Texas

Parent Coordinating Council for its valuable contributions to

the field of education and extend best wishes to the sponsors and

participants of this year's conference for a successful event;

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for all the conference attendees as an expression of esteem 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 January 23, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate