## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 249

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Incorporated, on the occasion of its 56th Southwestern Regional Conference, which is scheduled for March 7 through 9, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Incorporated, was founded in 1929 by Lola M. Parker for the purpose of promoting women in business; over the years, membership in the sorority has grown to include more than 3,000 women who live in 85 different cities and in the West Indies; and

WHEREAS, The organization operates under the capable direction of Lillian F. Parker, who serves as national president; Juanda Wallace ably guides the Southwestern Region by her service as its director; and

WHEREAS, Members of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Incorporated, hold prominent positions in business or operate businesses that strongly contribute to the progress of the community; in addition, through planned programs and scholarships, they motivate high school and college female students to pursue business education; and

WHEREAS, At the Southwestern Regional Conference, sorority members will conduct business sessions and hold workshops for the benefit of young people and adults alike; local educators and minority business owners will be honored at the Education Banquet; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend the members of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Incorporated, on their many accomplishments and their exemplary contributions to their communities; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the sorority as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Ellis

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 27, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate