

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 349

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Boys and Girls Clubs of Texas for the valuable contributions they make to the young people of this state; and

WHEREAS, Boys and Girls Clubs provide services to over 285,000 school-aged youths in 140 cities in Texas; their goal is to inspire all young people, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens; and

WHEREAS, Through strong, proven development programs, leaders in the Boys and Girls Clubs stress character and leadership development, education and career advancement, and health and life skills; they encourage an appreciation of the arts and provide programs in sports, fitness, and recreation; and

WHEREAS, The programs promote a better self-image and improved educational, social, emotional, and cultural awareness while encouraging community involvement, strong moral values, and enhanced life management skills; and

WHEREAS, On March 20, 2003, eight young people from Texas are gathering to choose one Texas State Youth of the Year to represent the State of Texas in the national Youth of the Year contest for the Boys and Girls Clubs of America; and

WHEREAS, Through the years, Boys and Girls Clubs have encouraged young people to aspire to the highest level of personal development and to become good citizens who are involved in their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend the Boys and Girls Clubs across Texas for the outstanding services they provide young people and their families; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared 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 March 20, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate