SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 170

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

WHEREAS, Boys & Girls Clubs provide services to over 375,000 school-age young people in 125 cities in Texas; they endeavor to inspire young people, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens; and

WHEREAS, Offering time-tested programs, leaders of the Boys & Girls Clubs stress character and leadership development, education and career advancement, and health and life skills; they also encourage an appreciation for the arts and provide programs in sports, fitness, and recreation; and

WHEREAS, These development programs promote positive self-images, academic growth, and social, emotional, and cultural awareness while encouraging community involvement, strong moral values, and enhanced life management skills; and

WHEREAS, On February 17, 2005, one of eight finalists from Texas will be chosen as Texas State Youth of the Year to represent the State of Texas in the National Youth of the Year contest for Boys & Girls Clubs of America; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Boys & Girls Clubs of America 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, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Boys & Girls Clubs of America for the outstanding services they provide in Texas to young people and their families; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the organization 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 February 17, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate