

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 411

WHEREAS, Students participating in the McDermott Scholars Program are visiting the State Capitol on March 29, 2005, and this occasion provides a fitting opportunity to recognize this outstanding program; and

WHEREAS, Since its establishment in the fall of 2000, the McDermott Scholars Program has sought to build a brighter future for Texans by attracting top students from throughout the state and across the nation to pursue their higher education at The University of Texas at Dallas; and

WHEREAS, The program, initiated by Margaret McDermott and named for her husband and cofounder of Texas Instruments, Eugene McDermott, selects participants who have demonstrated a commitment to academic excellence, community service, and leadership both on and off campus; and

WHEREAS, Through private endowment funds, these young men and women are presented with the opportunity to share in leadership training, fine arts education, and invaluable travel experiences, including regular visits to the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, the Dallas Opera, local museums, art galleries, plays, and concerts; in addition, first-year scholars are invited on trips to Austin and Washington, D.C., to meet with elected officials and experience the cultural diversity of our state's and nation's capital cities; and

WHEREAS, McDermott Scholars represent our next generation of business leaders, scientists, physicians, professors, attorneys, and public servants, and it is a privilege to recognize this outstanding program; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,
79th Legislature, hereby commend all those associated with the
McDermott Scholars Program for their commitment to education and
community service and extend to them sincere best wishes for the
future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for the McDermott Scholars Program as an expression of
high regard from the Texas Senate.

Carona, Shapiro

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on March 17, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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