SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 250

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Pat Hinton for her outstanding service to the citizens of West Dallas; and

WHEREAS, She has worked for Girls, Incorporated, for 23 years as program coordinator, center director, and artistic director; she has encouraged girls to become strong, resourceful, and independent and to plan for their future in high school by securing college scholarships; seven of the young women she has coached have became National Girls, Incorporated, Scholars; and

WHEREAS, Now the artistic director of Girls, Incorporated, Pat pursues career-focused, confidence-building activities to help inner-city young people overcome adversity in their lives and to ensure that they are exposed to the performing arts; and

WHEREAS, Two of the students she sponsored and helped to obtain college scholarships have become first-generation college students; one of the two is now a high school teacher and the other will soon graduate from Texas Woman's University; and

WHEREAS, In 2001, she cofounded Sacrifice Productions to offer personal growth opportunities to young people; the organization directs the Miss Praise Dallas Scholarship Pageant, which promotes positive moral values; and

WHEREAS, Pat Hinton is a highly respected and distinguished citizen of Dallas, who has worked diligently for the betterment of her community and has made a positive impact on the lives of many young people and their families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Pat Hinton for her altruistic accomplishments and devotion to the young people of Dallas and for her many contributions to the West Dallas community; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her 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 February 19, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate