

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 702

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize T. N. Porter Middle School on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, On May 11, 2007, the staff, alumni, and current students will gather to celebrate Porter Middle School's rich history and its 50th anniversary; the Ann Richards School for Young Women Leaders will take its place in the fall of 2007; the event will include a time capsule opening, a celebratory ceremony, and a silent auction; and

WHEREAS, The South Austin school was completed in 1957 and opened its doors to 900 students and 30 teachers; it was the second junior high school built south of the Colorado River and was changed to a middle school in 1988; and

WHEREAS, The school colors are blue and red and the school mascot is the panther; it was named for Thomas Neal Porter, the longtime chief financial officer for the Austin Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, From J. Davis Hill, its first principal, to Judy Szilagyi, its current principal, T. N. Porter Middle School has been led by excellent principals; many of its outstanding teachers have risen to positions of greater responsibility, and its students have won numerous awards in the arts and in athletics; and

WHEREAS, Over the last 50 years, the T. N. Porter Middle School has provided superior education for students who have gone on to succeed in all walks of life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby honor the past and present students, staff and faculty members, counselors, and principals of T. N. Porter Middle School and extend best wishes to all for a wonderful 50th anniversary celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as a memento of this significant occasion.

Wentworth

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 16, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate