SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 479

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Madonna Neighborhood Center, Incorporated, on the occasion of its 70th anniversary, which is being celebrated with an anniversary kick-off ceremony on March 25, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The Madonna Neighborhood Center was founded in 1939 by the Sisters of Divine Providence; the center assists low-income children, families, and senior citizens in the far west side of San Antonio with a wide range of social services; and

WHEREAS, Children's services include a day care program and after school programs; family outreach services include a summer recreation program, Saturday morning art enrichment classes, activities, and services for seniors, emergency assistance, counseling, a thrift shop, a youth sports program, and a year-round garden; and

WHEREAS, The center provides food for those who need it and opportunities for senior citizens that range from field trips, luncheons, and arts and crafts to immunizations and transportation; and

WHEREAS, The Madonna Neighborhood Center is funded by the United Way, the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, the City of San Antonio, the United States Department of Agriculture, and other support from individuals, businesses, fund-raising events, and many dedicated volunteers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend the members of the board of directors, the staff, and the generous supporters and volunteers of the Madonna Neighborhood Center for contributing to the valuable services it provides to those in need in San Antonio and extend to all best wishes for an outstanding and memorable 70th anniversary celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the center to commemorate this special occasion.

Van de Putte

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 20, 2009.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate