

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 168

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Saint Mary's University for its legacy of outstanding service to the City of San Antonio and our state; and

WHEREAS, A close-knit academic and spiritual community, Saint Mary's University offers a 13-to-one student-to-faculty ratio with numerous Fulbright scholars, Piper professors, and other engaged faculty members coming together to create an exceptional educational experience; and

WHEREAS, Saint Mary's University has produced more than 300 elected officials, who have served both this state and this nation with distinction; and

WHEREAS, The Carnegie Foundation has granted Saint Mary's University its prestigious Community Engagement Classification in recognition of the university's mission-driven focus on academic excellence, community service, and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, Saint Mary's University was named first in the nation by *Washington Monthly* magazine for promoting an ethic of service to country, fostering scientific and humanistic research, and performing as an engine of social mobility; and

WHEREAS, More than 70 percent of the university's students participate in community service activities, and Saint Mary's University is listed as a College that Builds Character by the John Templeton Foundation and as one of the nation's top Colleges with a Conscience by the Princeton Review and Campus Compact; and

WHEREAS, Saint Mary's University has been home to 167 All-American Scholar athletes, and it has won five national championships in athletic competition; and

WHEREAS, Saint Mary's University graduates have historically been accepted to medical and dental schools at rates far exceeding the national average; the combination of academic, athletic, and community excellence has truly established Saint Mary's University as a leader in the field of higher education; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the students, faculty, and staff of Saint Mary's University for their many outstanding contributions to our state and nation; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the university as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Van de Putte, Hegar, Uresti,
Wentworth, Zaffirini

Member, Texas Senate

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 14, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate