## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 241

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Dallas Area Regional History Day 2011 competition taking place at the Women's History Museum and the Hall of State-Dallas Historical Society on February 19, 2011; and

WHEREAS, The theme for this year's competition is "Debate and Diplomacy: Successes, Failures, Consequences"; during the 2010 and 2011 school year, students are invited to research topics related to the year's theme; and

WHEREAS, The year-long academic program for elementary and secondary school students encourages them to do historical research, interpretation, and creative expression that focuses on the assigned theme; and

WHEREAS, The first national evaluation of the widely used curriculum proves that students who participate in the National History Day educational program have a more mature perspective on current events and civic engagement than those who do not take part in the program; and

WHEREAS, Participants become more critical thinkers who can digest, analyze, and synthesize information; they improve academically, become better writers, communicate more effectively with their peers, and do better on state standardized tests in all aspects of their studies; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend all those who are involved with the Dallas Area Regional History Day competition and the National History Day project and extend best wishes for a successful event; and, be it further

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

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

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate