## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 233

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Texas Apartment Association on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The association traces its origins to 1963, when individuals from Houston, Dallas, San Antonio, and Austin came together and created an organization for rental housing owners to advocate for fair legislation, to promote professionalism within the industry, and to communicate issues of importance to its members; and

WHEREAS, The association has worked with the legislature to craft laws that protect the interests of renters and property owners alike; concerns over such issues as security deposits, habitability standards, ownership disclosures, pool yard enclosures, and smoke detectors have been addressed by legislation promoted by the association; and

WHEREAS, Among the practices established by the association that have become industry standards across the country are standardized lease contract forms and certification programs for apartment managers, maintenance staff, and leasing professionals; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Apartment Association has played a pivotal role in fostering consistent, fair, legal, and predictable standards of operation for rental properties across the state, and it is truly fitting that this exceptional organization be recognized as it achieves this milestone in its history; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend the Texas Apartment Association on its outstanding efforts in promoting professionalism in the housing industry and extend to its members best wishes for a memorable 50th anniversary celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the association as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Carona

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 19, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate