SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 269

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the members of the Dallas-Fort Worth Alliance of Trio Programs on the occasion of National Trio Day, which is being celebrated with weeklong activities from February 18 through February 23, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The celebration week concludes with a collaborative event taking place on the campus of The University of Texas at Arlington; the event is designed to share information and to inform the community about the success of Trio Programs in the Dallas-Fort Worth area; and

WHEREAS, Trio Programs is a set of federally funded college opportunity programs established by Congress to help low-income Americans enter college, graduate, and move forward with their chosen paths; funded by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, the programs help students to overcome class, social, and cultural barriers to higher education; and

WHEREAS, The programs currently serve nearly 800,000 low-income students, and more than 1,000 colleges, universities, community colleges, and agencies now offer Trio Programs in the United States, the Caribbean, and the Pacific Islands; and

WHEREAS, The institutions and organizations in the Dallas-Fort Worth area that participate in the Trio Programs are providing much needed support services for disadvantaged and underprivileged students and have helped to bridge the gap in educational levels between the highest-income and lowest-income students; and

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WHEREAS, Numerous representatives from colleges, universities, and community programs and organizations are participating in the Dallas-Fort Worth Alliance National Trio Day Celebration on February 23; the celebration includes informative presentations about college access and a rally in commemoration of the many successes of the Trio Programs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend the members of the Dallas-Fort Worth Alliance of Trio Programs on the invaluable support and assistance they offer disadvantaged students and proclaim February 23, 2013, National Trio Day in Texas; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of National Trio Day.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 25, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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