

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 292**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pleasure in honoring The Links, Incorporated, as its members convene on February 25, 2013, for The Links Day at the State Capitol; and

**WHEREAS**, The Links is one of this country's oldest and most respected volunteer service organizations for professional women of color; its members devote a remarkable amount of energy to community service and are committed to ensuring and enriching the cultural and economic survival of African American women and women of African ancestry; and

**WHEREAS**, Consisting of 12,000 members from more than 270 chapters in the United States and the Bahamas, this dedicated organization contributes an estimated one-half million volunteer hours each year; and

**WHEREAS**, Founded in 1946 to encourage professional women to give their time and energy to a variety of causes, The Links has grown into a powerful body of influential decision makers and achievers from the top echelons of the business community; and

**WHEREAS**, These exemplary individuals serve as role models not only for women but for all people; they are mothers, mentors, activists, and civic leaders; their concerted volunteer efforts have elicited awards from the United Nations Association of New York and the Leon H. Sullivan Foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, The programming of The Links has five major facets: national trends and services, the arts, youth services, health and human services, and international trends and services; hailing from all walks of life, the women who make up

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this exceptional organization are indeed worthy of recognition for their many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby welcome the members of The Links, Incorporated, as they celebrate The Links Day at the State Capitol and extend to them sincere best wishes in all their future endeavors; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

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

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate