## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 569

## In Memory of Jane Swann Nethercut

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and pays tribute to the life of educator and advocate Jane Swann Nethercut, who died March 15, 2013, at the age of 63; and

WHEREAS, Born New Year's Day in 1950, this compassionate soul dedicated her considerable talents to ensuring that young Central Texans had excellent educational opportunities and that they understood the importance of nonviolence in society; and

WHEREAS, Jane Swann Nethercut started out teaching high school Latin and journalism in her native state of Georgia and was named the state's Outstanding Latin Teacher in her first year; and

WHEREAS, After she and her husband, Dr. William Robert Nethercut, moved to Austin in 1976, she taught Latin and English at Gonzales High School in Gonzales; she then taught Latin and journalism at O. Henry Middle School from 1978 to 1987, establishing Austin's first Latin program for middle school students; and

WHEREAS, From 1987 to 1999, Mrs. Nethercut taught at Lanier High School in Austin, where she also co-wrote the school's successful Blue Ribbon application; in 1995, she cofounded the International Day Without Violence, which drew human rights activists Arun Gandhi and the Reverend Joseph Lowery in its inaugural year; she ended her illustrious career as the Child Study System Coordinator for the Austin Independent School District Office of Learning Support Services; and

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WHEREAS, For her enduring commitment to education, Mrs. Nethercut was named Teacher of the Year at the school, district, and regional levels; she was an outstanding example for her three children, and she leaves them with a lifetime of cherished memories and a legacy of remarkable achievements; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Jane Swann Nethercut; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jane Nethercut.

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## President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 2, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate