SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 702

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pleasure in recognizing the Literacy Coalition of Central Texas on the occasion of its 10th annual Great Grown-Up Spelling Bee, which takes place on April 23, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The Literacy Coalition of Central Texas was founded in 2001 in an effort to reduce the trend of low adult literacy in the area; the coalition supports a network of more than 50 nonprofit agencies that provide a range of literacy programming in Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, and Williamson Counties; and

WHEREAS, The services provided by these partner agencies and supported by the coalition include courses in adult basic literacy, English as a Second Language, and preparation for the General Educational Development test; and

WHEREAS, The Literacy Coalition of Central Texas has the commendable goal of helping to create a region in which 100 percent of the population is literate, employable, and engaged; and

WHEREAS, The annual Great Grown-Up Spelling Bee has become a vital fund-raiser for the coalition; the proceeds from this popular event help the organization achieve its mission of improving the quality and increasing the availability of literacy instruction for Central Texans; and

WHEREAS, Education and opportunity are closely linked in today's society; it is important that regional and national literacy organizations receive the support of their communities, so that they may help to create a better future for all Americans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend the Literacy Coalition of Central Texas and extend to its members sincere best wishes for the 10th anniversary Great Grown-Up Spelling Bee; and, be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this outstanding organization as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 18, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate