SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 837

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Press Women of Texas on the occasion of the organization's 120th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Press Women of Texas was founded May 10, 1893, in Dallas; originally known as the Texas Women's Press Association, it began with 34 charter members from 18 cities across the state; and

WHEREAS, Through the years, the organization has adhered to its motto of "Lofty Aims and High Ideals"; only two years after its founding, it received the highest honor awarded by the World's Columbian Commission for its exhibit of books and literature by women authors and journalists of Texas, and three of its members have been named to the National Hall of Fame of the National Federation of Press Women; and

WHEREAS, From its 1913 endorsement of women's suffrage to its creation of a scholarship for women communications majors at The University of Texas to its work in promoting a Status of Women Commission, the organization has played a vital role in supporting important women's issues; and

WHEREAS, Today, its members continue to be active at the local, state, and national levels, sponsoring scholarships and participating in competitions; they are truly deserving of recognition for their many contributions in the arena of professional journalism and communications; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend the members of Press Women of Texas on their exemplary work in promoting and supporting journalism by women and extend best wishes for a memorable celebration of the organization's 120th anniversary; and, be it further

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

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 6, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate