

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 171

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join Texans across the state in observing February 22 through 28, 2015, as Toastmasters International Week; and

**WHEREAS**, The ability to speak in a clear and effective manner is a powerful and important skill that can help people overcome barriers to performance in virtually every endeavor and line of work; and

**WHEREAS**, Since its founding in 1924, Toastmasters International has helped its members gain the confidence and skills they need to maintain successful businesses, fill roles in public and private organizations, and prepare themselves for advancement in the workplace; and

**WHEREAS**, Toastmasters International has more than 14,000 clubs in 126 countries around the world; there are more than 750 clubs and over 13,300 members in Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, Through the years, Toastmasters International has played a vital role in helping countless men and women develop essential communication and leadership skills; the organization is truly deserving of special recognition for its exemplary service; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commend Toastmasters International on its exceptional success in teaching public speaking skills and helping individuals to gain confidence in themselves and extend to its members best wishes for a memorable Toastmasters International Week; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this outstanding organization 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 17, 2015.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate