**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 573**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Austin Junior Forum on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and

**WHEREAS**, The Austin Junior Forum was founded on March 28, 1969, and is one of nine Junior Forum, Incorporated, chapters in Texas; the mission of this exemplary nonprofit volunteer organization is to support women, children, and the elderly through community service and fund-raising; and

**WHEREAS**, Austin Junior Forum members provide approximately 11,000 hours of community service annually to selected charities and nonprofit organizations; through the years, they have created an array of public service initiatives, including the Teddy Bear Program, the Forum Fling, and Caswell House etiquette classes; and

**WHEREAS**, The Daniel H. Caswell House is the Austin Junior Forum's headquarters and the site of its signature event, Christmas at Caswell House; each year, this Texas Historic Landmark is transformed into a winter wonderland for the benefit of the organization's Grants Program, which has donated more than $1.3 million to support women, children, and senior citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, For 50 years, the Austin Junior Forum has been a leading philanthropic organization in the city, and it is truly deserving of special recognition as it reaches this milestone in its history; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby commend the members of the Austin Junior Forum on their commitment to public service and extend to all best wishes for the future on the occasion of the forum's 50th anniversary; and, be it further

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

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