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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Young Women's Alliance is celebrating its 30th
- 2 anniversary in 2023; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Established in Austin in 1993, the organization was
- 4 founded by some 20 young professional women who gathered regularly
- 5 to network and exchange ideas and information concerning their
- 6 business endeavors; the group grew in number, and in 1995, members
- 7 wrote bylaws, incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under the
- 8 name Win2, and formed a board of directors and an advisory council;
- 9 the following year, the board officially changed the name of the
- 10 organization to the Young Women's Alliance; and
- 11 WHEREAS, YWA has grown to include more than 500 women from
- 12 many different industries and backgrounds; the alliance provides
- 13 its members with a wide range of educational programs, as well as
- 14 professional development and leadership opportunities; and
- WHEREAS, Since 2011, YWA has awarded over \$200,000 in
- 16 scholarships to women in need and given more than \$60,000 in
- 17 community grants to local nonprofit partners; its members have
- 18 collectively volunteered over 13,000 hours at various events and
- 19 have established nearly 400 mutually beneficial mentoring
- 20 relationships; moreover, the organization has empowered upwards of
- 21 135 young women to lead, through its entirely volunteer-based board
- 22 of directors; and
- WHEREAS, For three decades, this outstanding organization
- 24 has supported many young women in their quest to achieve their full

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- 1 potential, and it is indeed a pleasure to recognize the alliance at
- 2 this special time in its history; now, therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature
- 4 hereby commemorate the 30th anniversary of the Young Women's
- 5 Alliance and extend to its members sincere best wishes for
- 6 continued success; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the
- 9 Texas Senate.