

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 522

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Fourth Annual Mabel Meshachk White-South Dallas Outreach Center's Relay for Life, which will take place on April 4, 2003; and

WHEREAS, The Relay for Life is an all-night family event sponsored by the American Cancer Society to raise funds for cancer research, to increase public awareness of cancer, and to celebrate those who have survived their battle with cancer; and

WHEREAS, Rolando Blackman, former National Basketball Association star and currently the assistant coach for the Dallas Mavericks basketball team, is the chairman of the 2003 Relay for Life; and

WHEREAS, A formal ceremony with dignitaries in attendance will begin the evening's event at 7 p.m.; the Luminaria Ceremony will take place after the sky darkens and will be the highlight of the evening; and

WHEREAS, Cancer is one of society's most challenging diseases to overcome, and many health professionals and organizations are involved in research to combat it; and

WHEREAS, The participants in Relay for Life will come together to build a strong community spirit and support for the prevention and treatment of cancer and for the many individuals whose lives have been affected by this disease; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend the many people who have planned this important public health event and extend best wishes to them all for a successful occasion.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 7, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate