

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 541

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Blanca Herrera, who has been selected as a role model for the City of El Paso by the *El Paso Times* on the occasion of Women's History Month; and

**WHEREAS**, Women's History Month is celebrated annually during the month of March; to honor the vital roles women play in shaping new directions and ideas in society, the national theme of Women's History Month in 2003 is "Women Pioneering the Future"; and

**WHEREAS**, For its selection of women who serve as role models for the City of El Paso, the *El Paso Times* invited its readers to nominate women who have made a strong impact on their family, their neighborhood, or the entire city; the many deserving women who were selected for this public recognition are genuine trailblazers in a wide variety of fields; and

**WHEREAS**, Blanca Herrera is a community health educator for Planned Parenthood who is committed to improving health care for her fellow El Pasoans; she assists a wide range of individuals facing difficult circumstances and challenges, from prisoners to runaway juveniles to individuals enrolled in substance abuse programs; she also works with women suffering from depression or involved in prostitution and drug use; and

**WHEREAS**, With her many gifts and talents and through her initiative and perseverance, Blanca has set a lasting standard for others to emulate; and

**WHEREAS**, Her worthy accomplishments and her pioneering spirit truly make Blanca an inspiration for all citizens of El Paso and a source of pride for all Texans; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend Blanca Herrera on her selection as a role model for the City of El Paso; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem 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 April 7, 2003.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate