

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 549

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Teresa Fernandez, 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, Teresa Fernandez, vice president at the Lincoln Center, has been active in many civic and charitable organizations in the community since 1984; she works with food banks, the nutrition center, the League of United Latin American Citizens, and the El Paso Legal Assistance Society and helps coordinate numerous holiday festivities such as Halloween costume contests, Thanksgiving dinners, and Christmas parties; and

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

WHEREAS, Her worthy accomplishments and her pioneering spirit truly make her 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 Teresa Fernandez 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.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate