## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1041

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize November 4 through 6, 2005, as the Many Faces of Adoption Weekend in Austin; and

WHEREAS, On the first two days of the weekend, a conference hosted by Adoption Knowledge Affiliates offers educational sessions for adopted persons, professionals in the field, adoptive and birth parents, and prospective adoptive parents; local adoption groups will participate in supportive and educational roles; and

WHEREAS, Sessions cover a wide variety of adoption topics, including ethical issues in adoption, adoption biases, adoption reunions, transracial adoption, and the psychological implications of adoption; and

WHEREAS, The weekend also includes the Third Annual Austin Adoption Fair, which is sponsored by members of Families for Russian and Ukrainian Adoptions, Families with Children from China, and adoptive parents of American, Latin American, and Pacific Island children; the fair provides an opportunity for prospective adoptive parents to visit with adoption agencies, support groups, and medical and legal experts on issues relating to domestic, private, and international adoptions; and

WHEREAS, The weekend gives the local adoption community a chance to enhance the adoption experience for family members and adoption professionals; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby recognize November 4 through 6, 2005, as the Many Faces of Adoption Weekend; and, be it further

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

Barrientos

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 27, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate