## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 431

WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem; currently one in four deaths in the United States is from cancer; and

WHEREAS, The Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's signature event and one of the means by which the organization accomplishes its mission; and

WHEREAS, The Relay For Life consists of over 4,000 events nationwide to honor cancer survivors, educate the general public about the importance of early detection and prevention of cancer, and raise funds in the fight against cancer; and

WHEREAS, The City of Brownsville is hosting its 11th annual Relay For Life at Dean Porter Park on May 1 and 2, 2009; the Brownsville annual Relays For Life play a major role in helping to support cancer research, education, advocacy, and patient services; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend the Brownsville community for hosting an annual Relay For Life and encourage communities throughout our state to participate in this effort to eradicate cancer as a major health problem; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of the City of Brownsville 2009 Relay For Life.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 16, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate