

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 532

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the citizens of San Antonio in recognizing Elvira Cisneros on the grand occasion of the dedication ceremony for the Elvira Cisneros Senior Community Center by WellMed on March 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Renovated and managed by the WellMed Medical Group, the community center is named in honor of one of San Antonio's most distinguished and beloved citizens, longtime civic leader, Elvira Munguia Cisneros; and

WHEREAS, Elvira Cisneros raised five successful children with her late husband, George, and she has devoted countless hours to community service on behalf of many groups, including the Avenida Guadalupe Association, the Texas Diabetes Institute, the Girl Scouts, the Institute of Texan Cultures, and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Little Flower, where she has attended church since its founding in 1926; and

WHEREAS, For close to three decades, she has been a volunteer, advocate, and advisory board member for AVANCE, a nonprofit agency that endeavors to strengthen families through parenting education and child services for high-risk, low-income families; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cisneros has received numerous awards over the years; she was the AVANCE Mother of the Year and received the Ford Salute to Education Community Service Award; she was inducted into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame for her civic leadership, and she has been honored for her community service by United Way and presidents Gerald Ford and Ronald Reagan; and

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WHEREAS, Elvira Cisneros has demonstrated exceptional dedication to the betterment of her community, and it is indeed appropriate that the new senior community activity center in San Antonio be named for this gracious and revered lady who has done so much for her city; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend Elvira Cisneros for her many contributions to the City of San Antonio and extend congratulations to her and to the citizens of San Antonio on the dedication of the Elvira Cisneros Senior Community Center by WellMed; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of highest regard 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 March 30, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate