

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 569

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Kelly Burns of Austin, who is Mrs. Texas United America for 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, Kelly Burns received her crown as Mrs. Texas United America on June 22, 2008; she was the first runner-up in the Mrs. United America national pageant in October; she is a childbirth educator, birthing assistant, and skin care technician, and she has run a successful weight loss clinic; she is the wife of Bruce Burns and the mother of two children; and

**WHEREAS**, Kelly is dedicated to a healthy way of life, and she encourages others to take care of themselves and avoid substances that can harm them; her main platform as Mrs. Texas United America has been her promotion of a tobacco-free lifestyle for young people; and

**WHEREAS**, She is a longtime volunteer, and she has supported such organizations as the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the Make-A-Wish Foundation, Safe Place, the Blue Santa program, and the American Cancer Society; she received a Gold Presidential Volunteer Service Award in 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, Kelly will crown a new Mrs. Texas United America in June, 2009, but she will continue her volunteer work and her efforts to keep young people from smoking; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend Kelly Burns for her volunteer services and congratulate her on her reign as Mrs. Texas United America for 2008; 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 6, 2009.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate