

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 596

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Maria R. Montecel, who has been selected for induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame for her outstanding work in the field of education; and

WHEREAS, The San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame honors those women who have contributed significantly to the San Antonio community and the Bexar County region through their accomplishments in their profession or field of service; and

WHEREAS, Maria "Cuca" Montecel developed the Intercultural Development Research Association, which produced pioneering work, using her research, on the high school dropout rates of Latinos; she is credited with having developed the prototypical methodology for measuring attrition; and

WHEREAS, Cuca works with educational institutions to inspire and encourage women to further their education, and she is recognized as a Hispanic Influential by *Hispanic Business*; and

WHEREAS, Cuca Montecel has also been recognized by the National Association for Bilingual Education, and she is highly respected for her dedication to her work and for her unique accomplishments in her field; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Maria R. Montecel for her exceptional achievements and extend congratulations to her on her induction into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame; and, be it further

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

Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 24, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate