

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 893

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Martha L. Valencia, a leading businesswoman and philanthropist from McAllen; and

**WHEREAS**, Martha Valencia owns and operates several successful businesses which have focused on the treatment of the elderly, physically impaired, and medically underserved populations of South Texas in Webb, Zapata, Starr, Hildago, Willacy, and Cameron Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, One of her businesses, AmeriCare Nursing Services, has been solely owned and managed by Martha Valencia for the past 16 years, and its staff members have served over 12,000 patients and made over 632,480 visits to those patients' homes; and

**WHEREAS**, This outstanding businesswoman employs over 250 people from South Texas; she has paid her employees more than \$57,000,000 during the time her businesses have been in operation and has made a tremendous contribution to the economy of South Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, Martha Valencia has participated in and contributed to numerous nonprofit efforts in South Texas, including the International Museum of Art and Science, the South Texas Opera Association, the Rio Grande Valley Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, the American Cancer Society, the American Diabetes Association, the Boy Scouts, the food bank, and multiple organizations that treat abused children, and she has made numerous donations of durable medical equipment to patients in the Rio Grande Valley and in Mexico; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Martha L. Valencia on her outstanding accomplishments and her many contributions to the well-being of the citizens of South Texas; and, be it further

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

Hinojosa, Lucio  
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Member, Texas Senate

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 4, 2011.

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Secretary of the Senate