

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 376

In Memory
of
Karen Martinez

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of San Antonio in mourning the loss of newswoman Karen Martinez, who died February 18, 2013, at the age of 37; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding reporter and well-known community figure was chief anchorwoman of San Antonio television station KABB and served as its popular *Fox News at Nine* coanchor; she had also become a leading voice in the local campaign against breast cancer, a disease to which she succumbed after a valiant battle; and

WHEREAS, Born in San Antonio, Karen Martinez attended The University of Texas at San Antonio, where she received a degree in communications; in 1999, she joined the reporting staff at KABB and steadily moved up the ranks; she was promoted to coanchor of the station's flagship news program in 2009 and remained in that position until a couple of months before her death; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable woman was an exemplary role model not only for women but for all Texas citizens; she exhibited courage and professionalism, even as she battled daily with a grave disease; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Martinez will long be remembered for her contributions to the community of San Antonio and for the warmth, wit, and wisdom she shared regularly with her viewers; a loving wife and doting mother, she is survived by her husband, Joseph, and their three children; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Karen Martinez; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Karen Martinez.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 4, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate