

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 522

In Memory  
of  
Erica Andrews

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of noted performer Erica Andrews, who died March 11, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, Erica Andrews was born in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico; she was a longtime Texas resident who was widely regarded as one of the nation's best female illusionists, and she was one of the most decorated contestants on the pageant circuit; and

**WHEREAS**, Noted for her originality and imagination, she created many unique characters that reflected her vision of the powerful image she felt a woman should project; she won numerous titles over the course of her career as a performer, including Miss Texas Continental 2001, Miss Continental 2004, Miss International Queen 2006, and Entertainer of the Year 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, She was known for her positive attitude, her warmth, and her sense of humor, and she encouraged other performers and friends with her belief that once you conquer fear, you will be able to conquer anything; and

**WHEREAS**, She served as a mentor to numerous entertainers and provided guidance and encouragement to many young adults who had been the target of bullying and harassment; and

**WHEREAS**, An inspiration to many, Erica Andrews was noted for her courage, grace, and compassion; she gave unselfishly to others, and her generous spirit, her abundant creativity, and her

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enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten by those who were privileged to share in her life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family and friends of Erica Andrews; 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 Erica Andrews.

Van de Putte

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 20, 2013, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate