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#### AHF – Komen WISE Women at Texas State Capital

On Tuesday, September 30th, Becky Servidio and Angelica Gonzales, representatives from American Housing Foundation/Komen Wise Woman program, were invited to attend a reception honoring the 12th annual Breast Cancer Awareness Day and to distinguish the month of October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.



The event featured a speech by Anita Perry, the First Lady of Texas, vowing to promote the search for a cure with the support of National Cancer Institute, the State Health Department, and the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Mrs. Perry stressed the importance of annual mammograms, quoting Benjamin Franklin's advice that, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Following Mrs. Perry's speech on the steps of the capitol, a reception was held in the Lieutenant Governor's room. Becky and Angelica met Mrs. Perry and shared ideas with several state representatives and members of various health advocacy groups, all of whom had a keen interest in the WISE Woman program. Angelica visited with the keynote speaker, a 13 year breast cancer survivor, and left with a renewed sense of purpose and passion for the fight against breast cancer.

