

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 29

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Gladys Porter Zoo in Brownsville on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The Gladys Porter Zoo is one of the foremost institutions in the Rio Grande Valley for treasuring and preserving nature through education, conservation, and research; and

WHEREAS, The zoo has long emphasized science education for children; each year, approximately 45,000 students visit the zoo and learn about the importance of conservation and the care of wildlife; the number one animal rehabilitation facility in the Rio Grande Valley, the zoo has treated countless animals and returned them to their native habitats; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional facility continues to add new programs and is soon adding Phase Two of the El Mundo Huasteco y Totonaco Project; the project will then exhibit ocelots, a critically endangered animal and South Texas icon; and

WHEREAS, For 50 years, the Gladys Porter Zoo has been a vital part of the fabric of life in the Rio Grande Valley, and it is truly deserving of special recognition as it reaches this milestone in its history; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend the management and staff of the Gladys Porter Zoo on their outstanding work and extend to them best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 29, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate