## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 161

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the students of El Paso County who were named to the Community Scholars internship program; and

WHEREAS, Operating under Community Scholars, Incorporated, the internship program provides high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors, as well as college students, the opportunity to develop leadership skills through public policy and economic development research projects; and

WHEREAS, The high school interns work in small groups on state government funding and local issues, and the college students mentor the high school students and help them conduct research and present their projects; training sessions take place during the summer at El Paso Community College campuses and at The University of Texas at El Paso; and

WHEREAS, Participants in the program are selected from diverse groups throughout El Paso County and must demonstrate challenging academic and community service interests; and

WHEREAS, The program provides the opportunity for students of different races or ethnic groups to work together for a common goal and encourages them to put the community's interests ahead of individual interests; and

WHEREAS, The young scholars selected for this year are Linda Amaro, Dietra Brevard, Ricardo Dominguez, Jr., Angelica Hernandez, Starr Jimenez, Albert Montaño, Renee Padilla, Jon Ramirez, and Ruben Salinas; and

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WHEREAS, These young scholars are ambassadors of their schools and their communities, and they deserve recognition for their hard work and their exemplary leadership; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend these outstanding students on their accomplishments and their participation in the Community Scholars program and extend to them best wishes for the future; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for these scholars as an expression of high regard 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 February 19, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate