

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 861

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Eric Blue for his outstanding work in the office of Representative Todd Smith; and

WHEREAS, A graduating senior from Xavier University in New Orleans, Eric was a participant in the Texas Legislative Internship Program sponsored by the Mickey Leland Center on World Hunger and Peace at Texas Southern University; and

WHEREAS, This excellent internship program, established in December of 1990, provides a unique opportunity for students from Texas colleges and universities to serve as interns in the Texas Legislature, in state and local government offices, and in nonprofit organizations; and

WHEREAS, Students receive academic credit for participating in the program, which combines academic study and research with supervised practical training; Senator Rodney Ellis serves as a program advisor, and the senator's office assists with coordinating the on-site activities; and

WHEREAS, As an intern, Eric has gained firsthand knowledge of the governmental process and work experience in a political environment, as well as insight into the issues facing our communities and our state today; and

WHEREAS, Diligent, resourceful, and talented, Eric skillfully handled the multifaceted duties of the representative's office and ably assisted with the needs of constituents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend Eric Blue for his contributions to the office of Representative Todd Smith and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

Ellis

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 14, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate