

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 27

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Roel M. Villarreal, the director of financial aid at Texas A&M University--Kingsville, who is retiring after many years of loyal service; and

WHEREAS, Roel Villarreal has been associated with Texas A&M University--Kingsville for over 30 years; since 1984 he has served as a financial aid counselor and as an assistant director, associate director, and interim director; he was named director of financial aid in September of 2000; he was previously a counselor with the Upward Bound Program; and

WHEREAS, He earned a bachelor's degree and master's degree from Texas A&M University--Kingsville, then known as Texas A&I University, and he served in the United States Army from 1969 to 1971; and

WHEREAS, An active leader in the Kingsville community, Roel has served on various boards and commissions, including the Kingsville Housing Authority, the City of Kingsville Zoning and Planning Commission, and the Workforce Commission; he has been a member of the League of United Latin American Citizens and the Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Roel Villarreal has been a mentor and friend to thousands of students in their pursuit of higher education and greater opportunity; he has earned the respect and admiration of students, faculty, and administrators, and his presence at Texas A&M University--Kingsville will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Roel M. Villarreal for his service to Texas A&M University--Kingsville and congratulate him on his retirement; and, be it further

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

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 22, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate