SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1096

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize The University of Texas--Pan American Reserve Officer Training Corps Battalion for earning the 2006 General Douglas MacArthur Award; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious accolade is presented by the United States Army Cadet Program, in conjunction with the General Douglas MacArthur Foundation; this award recognizes the top Reserve Officer Training Corps programs in the nation; cadets must excel academically, rank among the highest cadets at the national Leadership and Development Assessment Course, and exceed the requirements for the Army Physical Fitness Test to qualify for the award; and

WHEREAS, Educating and developing ethical leaders with strong values for the South Texas region, the state, and the nation is one of the missions of The University of Texas--Pan American; and

WHEREAS, Due to the able guidance of Lieutenant Colonel Andre Dean, The University of Texas--Pan American Bronc Battalion became the western division honoree; Lieutenant Colonel Dean leads the group as commanding officer, with the help of an exceptional team of United States Army officers; the program also enjoys the support of the community, as demonstrated by scholarships provided by retired United States Army Colonel, Louis Draper; and

WHEREAS, The outstanding young men and women of the Bronc Battallion have demonstrated the importance of hard work and dedication in building an accomplished program; they are a source of pride to their school and community, and it is a pleasure to recognize them at this time; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby congratulate The University of Texas--Pan American Reserve Officer Training Corps Battalion on earning the 2006 General Douglas MacArthur Award and extend to its members sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the cadets as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 21, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate