

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Texas Legislative Internship Program is  
2 celebrating the 20th anniversary of the first class of participants  
3 during the 82nd Legislative Session; and

4           WHEREAS, Created in 1990, the program provides an opportunity  
5 for young, civic-minded students to work as interns in the Texas  
6 Legislature, in state agencies, and in public policy organizations;  
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8           WHEREAS, Students receive academic credit hours for  
9 participating in the program, which combines academic study and  
10 research with supervised practical training; an internship lasts  
11 for one academic semester and allows participants to experience the  
12 political process firsthand; and

13           WHEREAS, Senator Rodney Ellis serves as an advisor to the  
14 interns, and his office assists with coordinating on-site  
15 activities; students interested in the governmental process and in  
16 the type of humanitarian service exemplified by the late  
17 Congressman Mickey Leland are encouraged to apply for the program;  
18 and

19           WHEREAS, The experiences of the interns often serve as a  
20 springboard for public service careers on the federal, state, and  
21 local levels of government, as well as for professional service in  
22 the private sector, and three former interns--Representatives Ana  
23 Hernandez Luna, Ron Reynolds, and Armando Walle--now serve in the  
24 legislature; and

1           WHEREAS, The Texas Legislative Internship Program provides a  
2 wealth of work and learning experience for each of its participants  
3 and is making an important contribution to the future of the Lone  
4 Star State; now, therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the Texas Legislative Internship  
7 Program and congratulate its alumni and all those who have  
8 contributed to the program's success; and, be it further

9           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
10 prepared for the Texas Legislative Internship Program as an  
11 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

Coleman

H.R. No. 2278

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2278 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House