By: M. Gonzalez of El Paso

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Joel Zapata has been participating in the 2013
 Moreno/Rangel Legislative Leadership Program, and during the 83rd
 Legislative Session, he has ably served his fellow Texans; and

WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Mexican American Legislative Leadership Foundation, this program offers outstanding university students and recent graduates an opportunity to serve as full-time policy interns in the offices of members of the Mexican American Legislative Caucus and to gain experience working with the Texas Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Zapata is a graduate of The University of Texas at El Paso; while earning his degree in history and anthropology, he helped to re-establish the school's chapter of the Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan; active on campus and in the community, he has worked with a number of other organizations and plans to continue his studies, particularly focusing on labor issues and immigration; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of his tenure at the State Capitol, Joel Zapata has rendered valuable assistance, while acquiring knowledge of issues facing citizens of the Lone Star State; he has performed his duties as a legislative aide with skill, perseverance, and dedication, and he may indeed look forward to a rewarding future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
 Legislature hereby honor Joel Zapata as a participant in the 2013

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1 Moreno/Rangel Legislative Leadership Program and commend him for 2 his notable contributions to the legislative process; and, be it 3 further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for Mr. Zapata as an expression of high regard by the Texas
House of Representatives.