

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 791

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the inaugural class of the Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship Program; and

WHEREAS, This program is an academic initiative of The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley with funding from the UTRGV Foundation; it is administered by the university's Office of Governmental Relations and Department of Political Science and is under the direction of Dr. Ruth Ann Ragland; and

WHEREAS, The program provides opportunities for students to serve in the office of a representative or senator from the Rio Grande Valley during a regular session of the Texas Legislature; interns earn academic credit, and their duties include drafting documents, analyzing proposals, performing research, and meeting with stakeholders; among the qualities critical to success in the program are integrity, good judgment, independent thinking, ingenuity, resourcefulness, and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, The interns and the legislators in whose offices they served are: Ann Jacobo, Representative Eddie Lucio III; Carlos Pimentel, Representative Terry Canales; Arturo Limones, Representative Oscar Longoria; Jorge Luis Garza, Representative Ryan Guillen; Kassandra Aleman, Senator Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa; Ilse Irena, Representative Armando Martinez; Alondra Galvan, Representative René Oliveira; Victoria Garcia, Senator Eddie Lucio Jr.; Sarahi Martinez, Representative Bobby Guerra; Julio Garza, Senator Judith Zaffirini; and Melissa Garza, Representative Sergio Muñoz Jr.; and

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WHEREAS, The members of the inaugural class of the Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship Program have served with distinction in the Capitol offices of the Rio Grande Valley legislative delegation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend the Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship Program Class of 2017 and extend to its members best wishes for continued success in the future; and, be it further

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

Lucio, Hinojosa, Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 18, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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