RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The 16 fellows of the 2019 Moreno/Rangel Legislative 2 Leadership Program have ably served their fellow Texans during the

3 86th Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, The program is sponsored by the Mexican American

5 Legislative Leadership Foundation, a non-profit, non-partisan

6 organization established by the Mexican American Legislative

7 Caucus to foster the development of leadership skills among Latino

8 youth; in 2003, the foundation launched its fellowship to offer

9 outstanding undergraduate and graduate students the opportunity to

10 gain first-hand experience in the functions and operations of the

11 Texas House of Representatives during a legislative session; it is

12 named in honor of the late Paul C. Moreno, the longest-serving

13 Hispanic member of the House, and the late Irma Rangel, the first

14 Mexican American woman to serve in the Texas Legislature; and

WHEREAS, In 2019, the program welcomed the largest class of

16 fellows since its inception, including LaRessa Quintana, Nicolas

17 Cruz, Stephanie Zuniga, Elliot Ross, Sarah Gonzalez Claytor,

18 Chelsea Rangel, Keila Martinez, Sofia Morales Moreno, Hypatia

19 Sorunke, Karla Peredo, Azhalia Leal, Zachary Cochran, Maria Nereida

20 Jaimes, Tannya Oliva, Alejandrina Guzman, and Adriana Aguirre

21 Hernandez; and

WHEREAS, During the session, these 16 talented students

23 worked alongside veteran staff on policy matters in the offices of

24 representatives, and they participated in weekly seminars where

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- 1 they interacted with Latino leaders, elected officials, and state
- 2 agency personnel; their challenging responsibilities helped them
- 3 learn more about the legislative process and the issues facing
- 4 citizens of the Lone Star State; moreover, they gained valuable
- 5 insights into the nature of public service and the many ways in
- 6 which they can contribute to their communities; and
- WHEREAS, The fellows of the 2019 Moreno/Rangel Legislative
- 8 Leadership Program performed their duties as policy aides with
- 9 skill and dedication, and they are indeed deserving of special
- 10 recognition for their fine work; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 12 Legislature hereby commend the fellows of the 2019 Moreno/Rangel
- 13 Legislative Leadership Program for their exceptional efforts and
- 14 extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
- 15 further
- RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
- 17 for the fellows as an expression of high regard by the Texas House
- 18 of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2221 was adopted by the House on May 27, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House