**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 490**

**WHEREAS**, A group of 11 dedicated students from The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley have rendered outstanding service to the Texas Legislature during the 87th Session as participants in the Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship Program; and

**WHEREAS**, This initiative offers students at the university an opportunity to learn about the legislative process and to gain valuable experience while putting their skills and knowledge to work; and

**WHEREAS**, Each participant is placed with a legislative office and is immersed in an environment that combines academic rigor with real-world responsibility; individuals selected for this prestigious program work full-time during the session and must also complete two political science courses for academic credit; and

**WHEREAS**, This year's class of interns includes Roy Cantu, who is working in the office of Senator José Menéndez, Alan Garcia in the office of Representative Sergio Muñoz Jr., Hugo Garcia in the office of Representative Armando Martinez, Christopher Lira in the office of Representative Eddie Lucio III, Zitlalit Melgarejo in the office of Representative Ryan Guillen, Julian Ramirez in the office of Representative Bobby Guerra, Angela Ricalday in the office of Representative Oscar Longoria, Gilbert Rodriguez Jr. in the office of Senator Eddie Lucio Jr., Angelika Ruiz-Gualberto in the office of Representative Terry Canales, Alexandra Smith-Macias in the office of Senator Chuy Hinojosa, and Jenifer Velazquez in the office of Senator Judith Zaffirini; and

**WHEREAS**, The members of this notable group have performed their duties as legislative interns with great skill and diligence, and they are indeed deserving of special recognition for their fine work; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby commend the participants in the Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship Program for their contributions to the Texas Legislature and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success in all their endeavors; and, be it further

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

Hinojosa, Lucio

Menéndez, Zaffirini

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\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_    President of the Senate      I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 27, 2021. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_    Secretary of the Senate