

By: Hernandez

H.R. No. 2101

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 19 Fellows of the 2021 Moreno/Rangel Legislative
2 Leadership Program have ably served the citizens of Texas during
3 the 87th Legislative Session; and

4 WHEREAS, The program is sponsored by the Mexican American
5 Legislative Leadership Foundation, a nonprofit, nonpartisan
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 firsthand 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

15 WHEREAS, In 2021, the program welcomed the largest class of
16 Fellows since its inception, including Tsion Amare Mengesha, Daniel
17 Arizpe, Yuri Barragán, Fabiola Barreto, Bianca Carrizal, Leonardo
18 Garcia, Rebecca Flores, Lyssette Galvan, Lorraine Garcia,
19 Jacqueline Gheorghe, Sandra Lopez, Melissa Medina, Andrea
20 Medina-Alvarado, Any Ojeda Alamilla, Andrea Orozco, Pedro Ortiz
21 Menchaca, Brandy Ann Pena, Ana Silbas, and Jacquelyne Valladares;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, During the session, these 19 talented students
24 worked alongside veteran staff on policy matters in the offices of

1 representatives, and they participated in weekly seminars where
2 they interacted with Latino leaders, elected officials, and state
3 agency personnel; their challenging responsibilities helped them
4 learn more about the legislative process and the issues facing
5 citizens of the Lone Star State; moreover, they gained valuable
6 insights into the nature of public service and the many ways in
7 which they can contribute to their communities; and

8 WHEREAS, The Fellows of the 2021 Moreno/Rangel Legislative
9 Leadership Program performed their duties as policy aides with
10 skill and dedication, and they are indeed deserving of special
11 recognition for their fine work; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
13 Legislature hereby commend the Fellows of the 2021 Moreno/Rangel
14 Legislative Leadership Program for their exceptional efforts and
15 extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for the Fellows as an expression of high regard by the
19 Texas House of Representatives.