

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A group of 13 dedicated students from The University  
2 of Texas Rio Grande Valley has rendered outstanding service to the  
3 Texas Legislature during the 89th Session as participants in the  
4 Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship Program and the Texas  
5 Legislative Fellowship Program; and

6           WHEREAS, The Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship  
7 Program, also known as VLIP, offers undergraduate and graduate  
8 students at UTRGV an opportunity to learn about the legislative  
9 process and to build valuable real-world experience while putting  
10 their skills and knowledge to work; each intern is placed with a  
11 legislative office and receives academic credit for their  
12 participation; and

13           WHEREAS, This year's class of VLIP interns includes Lia  
14 Cavazos-Garcia, who is working in the office of Representative  
15 Sergio Muñoz Jr., Venisha Colon in the office of Representative  
16 Terry Canales, Angela Shekinah Flores in the office of  
17 Representative Oscar Longoria, Natalie Garcia in the office of  
18 Senator Adam Hinojosa, Brianna Garza Skurka in the office of  
19 Representative Armando "Mando" Martinez, Paulina King Benitez in  
20 the office of Senator Judith Zaffirini, Laela Ovalle in the office  
21 of Representative R. D. "Bobby" Guerra, Sylvia Giselle Rodriguez in  
22 the office of Senator Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, Marleen Yvette Salazar  
23 in the office of Representative Erin Elizabeth Gámez, Samantha  
24 Sandoval in the office of Representative Janie Lopez, and Randall

1 Treviño in the office of Representative Ryan Guillen; and

2 WHEREAS, The Texas Legislative Fellowship Program was  
3 established by The University of Texas System for the 89th  
4 Legislative Session; two students from UTRGV participated in the  
5 internship opportunity, providing valuable service, acumen, and  
6 knowledge to their respective offices; this year's interns include  
7 Sophia Lopez, who is working in the office of Lieutenant Governor  
8 Dan Patrick, and Dua Manganhar in the office of Representative Erin  
9 Elizabeth Gámez; and

10 WHEREAS, The members of these two notable groups have  
11 performed their duties as legislative interns with great skill and  
12 diligence, and they are indeed deserving of special recognition for  
13 their fine work; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
15 Legislature hereby commend the participants in the Rio Grande  
16 Valley Legislative Internship Program and the Texas Legislative  
17 Fellowship Program for their contributions to the Texas Legislature  
18 and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success in all  
19 their endeavors; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared  
21 for the interns as an expression of high regard by the Texas House  
22 of Representatives.

Martinez  
Lopez of Cameron

H.R. No. 1295

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1295 was adopted by the House on May 23, 2025, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House