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#### SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the 13 dedicated students from The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley who have demonstrated outstanding service to the Texas Legislature during the 89th Session as participants in the Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship Program and the Texas Legislative Fellowship Program; and

WHEREAS, The Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship Program offers undergraduate and graduate students at The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley an opportunity to learn about the legislative process and to build valuable real-world experience while putting their skills and knowledge to work; each intern is placed with a legislative office and receives academic credit for their participation; and

WHEREAS, This year's class of interns includes Lia Cavazos-Garcia, who is working in the office of Representative Sergio Muñoz Jr., Venisha Colon in the office of Representative Terry Canales, Angela Shekinah Flores in the office of Representative Oscar Longoria, Natalie Garcia in the office of Senator Adam Hinojosa, Brianna Garza Skurka in the office of Representative Armando Martinez, Paulina King Benitez in the office of Dean Senator Judith Zaffirini, Laela Ovalle in the office of Representative Bobby Guerra, Sylvia Giselle Rodriguez in the office of Senator Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, Marleen Yvette

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Salazar in the office of Representative Erin Gámez, Samantha Sandoval in the office of Representative Janie Lopez, and Randall Treviño in the office of Representative Ryan Guillen; and

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

WHEREAS, The members of these two notable groups have performed their duties as legislative interns with great skill and diligence, and they are indeed deserving of special recognition for their positive contributions to the Texas Senate and House of Representatives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby commend the participants of the Rio Grande Valley Legislative Internship Program and the Texas Legislative Fellowship Program on their dedication and excellent work in the Texas Legislature and extend to them best wishes for success in their future endeavors; and, be it further

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