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**Senator Lucio Welcomes Visitors
to Brownsville Day in the Capitol**

AUSTIN - Today, Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr. (D-Brownsville) welcomed several visitors to the Capitol in Austin for "Brownsville Day."

Throughout the day, visitors from city and county government, and local public and higher education institutions met with state lawmakers to discuss issues important to Cameron County. Visitors' agenda included meetings with Lt. Governor David Dewhurst, Speaker of the House Joe Straus, and Commissioner for Higher Education Raymund Paderes. Today's meetings were organized by United Brownsville.

Visitors were also honored with memorial resolutions on the House and Senate floors.

"I am very pleased to welcome the delegation from my hometown. Brownsville is the largest and most historic city in the Rio Grande Valley, and remains a crossroads of cultural heritage for the United States and Mexico," Senator Lucio said. "As part of the Rio Grande Valley, Brownsville is one of the largest and fastest-growing areas in Texas. I am so happy our esteemed visitors are here to help make the case that investment in Brownsville is an investment in the future of Texas."

Organizations participating in Brownsville Day included representatives from the City of Brownsville, The Brownsville Navigation District, the University of Texas at Brownsville, the Brownsville Community Improvement Corporation, Texas Southmost College, The Greater Brownsville Improvements Corporation, Brownsville Independent School District, Brownsville Public Utilities Board, Brownsville Chamber of Commerce, Brownsville Economic Development Council, Brownsville Convention and Visitors Bureau, the United Way of Southern Cameron County, and Cameron County Workforce Solutions.

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