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STATEMENT FROM SENATOR CÉSAR J. BLANCO ON PRESIDENT BIDEN'S VISIT TO EL PASO

"I applaud President Biden for visiting El Paso to see firsthand the humanitarian crisis on our border. I also want to thank Congresswoman Escobar for her tireless work securing federal resources and being instrumental in bringing President Biden to El Paso.

"In recent weeks, El Paso has been the epicenter of this humanitarian crisis, and while the Biden-Harris administration inherited a broken immigration system, I am hopeful President Biden's visit will bring renewed urgency and focus to our Nation's Capitol to fix our immigration system and secure our border in a safe, orderly, and humane manner.

"We need welcoming processing centers, and more asylum officers, immigration judges, CBP resources, and investments to modernize our ports of entry. And even though the Biden-Harris Administration has secured record funding for border security and management, we ultimately need Congress to act to truly fix our broken immigration system to stem the flow of unlawful crossings, provide pathways to citizenship, protect asylum seekers, and bolster our workforce and economy."

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