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Rossanna Salazar joins Clements Legislative Study Program as Private Sector Chairman

AUSTIN, TX - As the Clements Legislative Study Program prepares to host its class of Clements Scholars for the 82nd Session, the Texas Conservative Coalition Research Institute (TCCRI) today announced that Rossanna Salazar will serve as the Private Sector Chairman of the program.

The program is named in honor of Governor Bill Clements, who was the state's first Republican governor since Reconstruction. He served two terms as Texas' governor, from 1979-1983 and 1987-1991.

The Clements Legislative Study Program, coordinated by TCCRI, is the only program of its kind to provide young conservative leaders with the opportunity to work directly with legislators to help advance conservative policies.

State Senator Dan Patrick (R-Houston), the Senate Co-Chairman of the program, stated: "Having served as press secretary for Governor Clements, Rossanna knows firsthand the dedication, hard work, and business acumen that Governor Clements devoted to the State of Texas, and she is highly qualified to help guide our program." Since her service as Governor Clements' press secretary during his second term, Salazar has worked with other prominent state leaders, including Governor Rick Perry and Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison. Salazar is currently managing partner of ROSS Communications Inc., an Austin-based public affairs and communications firm.

State Representative Bryan Hughes (R-Mineola), House Co-Chairman of the program, added: "Governor Clements laid the foundation for decades of principled leadership in Texas. Through the Clements Legislative Study Program, we are continuing to strengthen future generations of leaders for the State of Texas. Our Clements Scholars will have a truly valuable and educational experience in working with the Texas Legislature."

Added Salazar: "Just as Governor Clements gave many young people like me the opportunity to learn from him during his administrations, the Clements Scholars program helps students learn from today's

conservative leaders as they serve the people of Texas. In the process, my hope is that our Scholars also find inspiration in Governor Clements' life and work."

State Representative Warren Chisum (R-Pampa), TCCRI President, concluded: "By bringing conservative students to Austin to work with legislators, staff, and the private sector, our program provides an unparalleled learning environment for those interested in public policy and public service."

More information on the Clements Legislative Study Program is available online at:
clementsscholars.org.

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