Mexican American Studies Day in Texas

Whereas the Cabrera Report has demonstrated that students who studied Mexican American Studies Courses were “108% more likely to graduate than non-MAS students. MAS students passed the standardized math test 140% more than non-MAS students.";

Where as of 5.1 Million Texas Public School students, over 51% are Latino;

Whereas in many Texas cities and towns such as Houston, Texas the Latino population is not only 30% or higher, but 1 in 3 inhabitants is Mexican American or descended from Mexico;

Whereas, the contributions of the U.S. history by Tejanos in the arts, business, the military, politics, and other fields is profound and deserves further study;

Whereas Cinco de Mayo is widely known and popularly celebrated; however, the historical context for the Battle of Pueblo in Mexico in 1862 is not well known;

Whereas Cinco de Mayo has international implications that touch on the global and multi-media era that our education system must prepare students for;

Where as Mexican American Studies is an established field of study recognized by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and proven to impart the Critical Thinking Skills necessary to thrive in business, arts, politics, and other fields;

We declare Friday, May 1, 2015, Mexican American Studies Day in Texas.

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