



TEXAS TEACHERS ENDORSE REP. LUCIO

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AUSTIN-- State Rep. Eddie Lucio III announced today that he has received the official endorsement from the Texas State Teachers Association (TSTA) in his campaign for re-election to the Texas House in District 38.

Founded in 1880, the nearly 70,000-member TSTA is the oldest education organization in Texas and is an affiliate of the 3.2 million-member National Education Association.

“Rep. Lucio has been a strong friend of public schools, our students and our teachers, and the Texas State Teachers Association is happy to endorse his re-election” said TSTA President Rita Haekcker. **“TSTA looks forward to working with Rep. Lucio again on behalf of all of Texas’ public schools during the 2013 legislative session and supporting his work for the schools, students and teachers in his South Texas district.”**

Rep. Lucio sincerely believes that improving the quality of education and expanding access to educational opportunities in the Rio Grande Valley is vitally essential to the success of our region. During his years in public service, Rep. Lucio has consistently fought against the many attempts to cut funding from education, including the school finance plan that cut \$4 billion from our schools.

“I am truly honored by TSTA's endorsement,” said Rep. Lucio III. **“I come from a family of educators who taught me of the immense value, sacrifice and dedication it takes to care for our students. And, it is thanks to the support of organizations like TSTA that we are able to advocate for improving the quality of our public education system.”**

Rep. Lucio currently serves as Vice Chairman of the Government Efficiency & Reform committee and is a member of the influential Calendars and Natural Resources committees.

House District 38 is composed of the southwest region of Cameron County. As a result of the redistricting process, the district now includes Rio Hondo in addition to Brownsville, Harlingen, San Benito, Rancho Viejo, Olmito, Rangerville and the communities along Military Highway.

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