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Dear Potential Sponsor:

We are contacting you to ask for your support in investing in tomorrow's leaders by sponsoring student registration amounts for the 2019 Lorenzo de Zavala Youth Legislative Session (LDZ), an eight-day developmental training program on governance, communication, leadership, networking, and management skills among Latino youth. The student is responsible for completing the US\$895 tuition. Annually, students marshal their tuition with contributions from their family, school supporters, local civic organizations and community investors. Sponsorships may be full or partial and can be made by check/money order (NHI, PO Box 220, Maxwell, TX 78656, memo: student's name) or by phone at 512-357-6137.

While the program readies students for college, the LDZ's most important mission is leadership training and development. Though often viewed as a program on government and politics, the LDZ teaches real life lessons that are much more enduring. Students take decisive action under pressure, make critical decisions that are not always guided by popular opinion, and gain valuable insight into organized group efforts. The LDZ experience develops skills that are vital to college, career, and life. The experience also provides a non-traditional learning setting where students can exchange views on issues that are culturally and intellectually thought-provoking.

The National Hispanic Institute is a private, non-profit 501(c)3 corporation founded in 1979 in Austin, Texas, and is headquartered in Maxwell, 35 miles south of Austin. All students invited to participate are college-bound high school sophomores and juniors with an 88 or 3.2 grade point average or higher. The tuition underwrites more than just covering the student's room and board, meals, and materials during their experience. This amount underwrites the cost of recruitment, communications, leadership training, student supplies, documents, equipment, student support services, staff specialists, and special events. After completing the LDZ, NHI provides follow-up services for college admissions, financial aid consultation, career guidance, and additional programming through the Collegiate World Series (CWS).

Please consider making a financial contribution to support this student's personal and professional growth as a leader in your community. Call the National Hispanic Institute at 512.357.6137 for more information. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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