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## **State Delegation Members Endorse Elisa Tamayo for House District 76**

**EL PASO** - Texas State Senator José Rodríguez, Speaker Pro Tempore Joe Moody, and State Representatives Mary González, César Blanco, and Lina Ortega endorse Elisa Tamayo, candidate for State Representative for House District 76. Tamayo released the following statement in response:

*"I am humbled and grateful for the delegation's support. Now more than ever, El Paso needs strong and passionate leaders to represent the values of our community in Austin. As a member of the delegation, I will work collaboratively with them to continue advocating for the border and fighting for the critical resources our community deserves."*

### **Endorsements:**

*"Elisa Tamayo represents the future of El Paso and Texas. As a bilingual, bicultural, and binational border resident, she will provide strong leadership to tackle the education, health care, and economic needs of our region and state. That is why I support her for the next State Representative of House District 76."*

**-Senator José Rodríguez**

*"Elisa will be an incredible advocate for District 76. Her years of public service at the local, state, and federal levels (including for this House District) means she'll be able to hit the ground running on day one. At a time when a lot of outside attention has been turned on our community, we need someone who was raised here going back and forth across the border. Someone who understands who we are and what we value as a binational community. Someone who will fight for education, health care, and public safety for all of us. I'm confident Elisa is that leader."*

**-Speaker Pro Tempore, Joe Moody**

*"The El Paso delegation is so special. Over the past few years, we have been successful as a team in supporting our community and putting the interests of El Paso first. As such, it is important that the next State Representative for House District 76 has the skills to be part of a team that is respected statewide and working well for our community. I believe Elisa has the character, knowledge, and integrity needed to have an effective and passionate delegation. Trust is a key component of leadership, and Elisa is someone the delegation and our community can trust."*

**-Representative Mary González, Ph.D.**

*"In her time in my office, Elisa served the people of House District 76 with passion, from helping organize local service events for the community to listening and helping constituents. She treats El Paso neighbors with respect, and makes sure that government agencies do too. I'm proud to support Elisa for State House District 76."*

**-Representative César Blanco**

*"I support Elisa Tamayo because she represents the best of what border culture is. I'm proud to stand with a young progressive Latina who was able to succeed when she was confronted with obstacles in her life. She is committed and passionate about El Paso. Our community needs strong leaders fighting with us in Austin."*

**-Representative Lina Ortega**

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*Elisa Tamayo is running to represent El Paso and House District 76 in the Texas Legislature. She is a native El Pasoan, born to Mexican immigrant parents, and proud graduate of the University of Texas at El Paso. She is passionate about social justice and believes that the values of resiliency, strength, and family were instilled in her by El Paso, the community that helped raise her.*