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Senator Menéndez Issues Statement on Rejection of Offensive Textbook

San Antonio, Texas - State Senator José Menéndez released the following statement in response to the Texas State Board of Education's unanimous vote to reject the proposed Mexican-American Studies textbook, *Mexican-American Heritage*.

"As a father with three school-age kids it is encouraging that common sense ruled the day and a bipartisan, unanimous vote reaffirmed our commitment to teaching facts, not dangerous stereotypes. Our students deserve an honest and factual retelling of our shared history. The rejection of this offensive and error-ridden textbook shows that our education system is based on inclusivity and tolerance."

"I also want to acknowledge the diligent efforts of countless academics and advocates who worked hard to fact check this book and rally in opposition. Rejecting the text was a team effort that benefited our students."

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