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## **GUILLEN BACK ON THE ROAD FOR SUMMER 2017 LISTENING TOUR**

**AUSTIN** - Texas State Representative Ryan Guillen (D-Rural South Texas) is set to embark on his seasonal Listening Tour this summer, on **July 8, 2017**.

**"The opinions of my constituents are very important to me," Guillen said. "I value every opportunity to speak directly with the people of South Texas and hear their concerns first-hand."**

On the second Saturday of every March, July, and November, Representative Guillen travels to a local Dairy Queen at each county in District 31 to hear the questions, thoughts, and concerns of his constituents. The Listening Tour is just one of several outreach programs promoted by Guillen to maintain communication with the residents of the district.

The schedule is as follows:

- **7:00 a.m.** — Rio Grande City
- **9:00 a.m.** — Raymondville
- **10:30 a.m.** — Riviera
- **11:30 a.m.** — Falfurrias
- **12:30 p.m.** — Hebbronville
- **1:45 p.m.** — San Diego
- **3:00 p.m.** — George West
- **4:00 p.m.** — Tilden (to be held at Wheeler's)
- **5:00 p.m.** — Jourdan
- **6:30 p.m.** — Cotulla

Guillen has always held the opinions of his constituents in high regard and consistently makes an effort to maintain communication with all residents in the district through the use of his many outreach programs. Being faced with the challenge of maintaining his efforts with a new ten county district following the 2012 redistricting, Guillen launched the first-of-its-kind Listening Tour. The tour has been widely successful, and has since been replicated by other state and federal elected officials.

**"Each time someone stops by to share their thoughts, concerns, or questions, it helps us improve the services we offer to everyone throughout the district," said Guillen. "That's why it's so important for folks to turn out and let us know what's on their minds."**

Ryan Guillen serves ten rural South Texas counties in the Texas House of Representatives, including Atascosa, Brooks, Duval, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, La Salle, Live Oak, McMullen, Starr, and Willacy.

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