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Senator César J. Blanco Requests Lighting of the Star on the Mountain to Honor the Lives Lost to COVID-19

El Paso, Texas - Today at 3:30 pm, Star on the Mountain will be lit to honor and remember the El Pasoans lost to COVID-19. Senator César J. Blanco partnered with the El Paso Chamber of Commerce in requesting the star be lit.

"COVID-19 has devastated our community. To date, over 1,900 El Pasoans have died of COVID-19," Senator Blanco said. "But these people were more than just a number--they were someone's family, friend, and neighbor. I'm encouraged by President-elect Biden's commitment to revamping the nation's efforts to combat COVID-19, to slow the spread of this virus, and save lives," Senator Blanco added. "I am also heartened to see the incoming Biden Administration honor and remember those we lost during the pandemic."

The event will coincide with the lighting of the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool in Washington D.C. in honor of all Americans lost to the virus. Cities and towns across the nation have been invited to participate by lighting buildings or asking clergy to ring the bells simultaneously as part of a national event and national monument of unity and remembrance.

"Today, we light our star on the mountain as a symbol of unity and remembrance as we mourn together with our community and nation," Senator Blanco said.

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