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A Pennsylvania Congressional candidate and former reality TV personality used an **elephant** and a mariachi band for a political stunt designed to make a point about **border** security. The man, Raj Peter Bhakta, who appeared on the "The Apprentice," paraded an **elephant** and the band through the water near the mouth of the Rio Grande on Tuesday. "The **elephant** never made landfall into Mexico, but I tell you something, he could have made 15 laps back and forth, but no one showed up," Mr. Bhakta, a Republican, told The Brownsville Herald. Mr. Bhakta, who favors construction of **border** fence, said he was in Brownsville to raise money when he saw half a dozen men swimming under one of the international bridges "with complete immunity" and decided to pull the stunt.

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