



MEXICAN AMERICAN DEMOCRATS

July 7, 1980

Dear MAD Member:

Let me first say that the Mexican American Democrats did well at our recent state party convention in San Antonio. There will be 30 Mexican American delegates and 15 alternates going to New York as part of the Texas delegation. This is the largest Mexican American delegation ever sent to a national convention. Seventeen are Kennedy delegates and thirteen are Carter delegates.

Congratulations to Sylvia Rodriguez of San Antonio and Juan Maldonado of San Juan. Both were elected to serve as members of the Democratic National Committee.

Even though we did well in San Antonio there is still a lot of work ahead in the coming months. This year can be a very successful year for Mexican American Democrats in Texas. We need to make sure our Party's nominee for President carries Texas in November. We have to ensure the election of our state legislators in order to get a good Democrat in the Speaker's office. We have to maintain our increasing level of influence within our State Party. Most importantly we need to get our people to register, participate and vote in record numbers this November. All of this can be accomplished.

As most of you are aware we have scheduled the Mexican American Democrats Fourth Annual State Convention for August 8th and 9th, 1980 in Corpus Christi at La Quinta Royale Downtown, 601 N. Water Street.

1980 will be a pivotal year for Mexican Americans in Texas. We have to eliminate the Reagan factor in 1980. We have to make sure we have a fair speaker of the Texas house in 1981 to guarantee a fair redistricting plan for Texas. We have to continue to be an undisputable and recognizable force within the Texas Democratic Party. But to accomplish this we have to be informed, united and organized.

At our Corpus Christi Convention we will take up critical questions and issues. Who will be our next state democratic party chairman? Should MAD support any candidate? Should MAD run a candidate? These are questions that have been raised by some of our members in recent days and these are questions that we cannot afford to avoid.

We will also officially kick-off the Mexican American Democrats Voter Participation Program that will be geared to register rural and urban Mexican American voters. This program will work in conjunction with the Texas Democratic Party and will expend the necessary monies to get the job done. It is important that your community send representatives to the convention to make sure your area is addressed.

The Convention will begin on Friday the 8th of August with registration and committee meetings as well as social functions. Saturday the 9th of the August will consist of the general meeting, a luncheon and an evening banquet. (You will be receiving an agenda in two to three weeks.)

This is also a perfect time to bring the family and relax in this sparkling city by the sea. This convention will be both productive and enjoyable. We hope you will make every effort to attend.

Yours for Success in '80,

Marc A. Campos

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Chairman

Enclosed for your convenience you will find a pre-registration form. Please mail this as soon as possible. The deadline for pre-registration is Friday, August 1st.

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| A. Pre-registration | \$33.00 |
| B. Registration at Convention | \$35.00 |
| C. Saturday Registration | |
| Includes Luncheon & banquet | \$27.00 |
| D. Spouse Registration | |
| Includes Friday Social | |
| Saturday luncheon & banquet | \$20.00 |

A & B Full Package includes the following: Friday evening social with music, entertainment, and open bar; continental breakfast; luncheon; Saturday evening banquet and dance;

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Senatorial District _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip _____

*Pre-registration (Deadline August 1) ----- \$33.00 ()

Full registration at convention ----- \$35.00 ()

Saturday Registration ----- \$27.00 ()

Spouse package ----- \$20.00 ()

*Payment must accompany pre-registration form. Please make payment payable to:

Mexican American Democrats
3217 Lariat Lane
Corpus Christi, Texas 78415

MEXICAN AMERICAN DEMOCRATS

August 8-10, 1980
Corpus Christi, Texas

NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER July 18, 1980

Requests received after that time are subject to availability & do not qualify for the convention rate. Cancellations must be made 48 hours prior to arrival.

RESERVATIONS WILL NOT BE TAKEN OVER THE PHONE BY THE HOTELS OR THE CONVENTION BUREAU

RESERVATION CONFIRMED ONLY WITH ACCEPTABLE CREDIT CARD OR FIRST NIGHT DEPOSIT.

REQUEST FOR HOTEL/MOTEL RESERVATIONS

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE FOUR CHOICES:

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DEPART DATE _____ HOUR _____ AM or PM

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CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS: LA QUINTA ROYALE

<u>HOTELS BEING BLOCKED:</u>	<u>SINGLE RATE</u>	<u>DOUBLE RATE</u>	<u>TWIN DOUBLE RATE</u>
La Quinta Royale	\$29.00	\$37.00	\$39.00
Ramada Inn	\$28.00	\$31.00	\$33.00
Quality Inn-Bayfront	\$27.00	\$35.00	\$37.00
Sheraton Marina Inn	\$36.00	\$44.00	\$44.00

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO: ELENA RAMIREZ
Central Housing
Corpus Christi Area Convention & Tourist Bureau
P. O. Box 2664
Corpus Christi, Texas 78403



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