

July 28, 1981

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Dear Commissioner,

Please read this letter in its entirety. I know some of us are a bit tired of our own personal community involvement. Some of us feel that it is time to let others get their feet wet. Hence, we want and deserve to spend more time with our own families and direct our attention more so to our own financial conditions. Yet still others feel that the sky fell upon us because of unavoidable personal and community project setbacks. From my perspective, the sky has not fallen, its just that the clouds don't seem to be burning away with any alacrity.

For many years we in Beeville have been committed to a singular concept; that minorities must take their rightful place in Beeville politics. It's a notion of fair play and quality in public service that benefits all of us, and creates the kind of legacy we want to leave our children. You've heard it before, and it's true; it's a matter of SIMPLE JUSTICE.

We've had setbacks and we've had victories. We'll have more of both. I know you will agree with me that so far the victories have outweighed the setbacks and we continue to move forward in this state and this nation. We must continue our positive trend in Beeville.

Come April, we will have three sits up for grabs in the Beeville City Council plus a number of other elections. The time has come for a re-affirmation and reorganization and naturally the creation of a positive and strong Beeville Minority movement and, one that could not be possible without your input and expertise. We have worked together before, we MUST work together again. Perhaps in the past we have not moved mountains or generations of citizens unaccustomed to focusing on Chicano candidates and issues, but the battle must continue. Your ideas and support are very much needed plus a large core of supporters willing to contribute a little more and step forward in support of our concerns.

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With this in mind, I respectfully request your presence on Saturday, August 1, 1981 at Saenz Dept. Store located at 317 N. Washington Street at 8:30 a.m. for the purpose of re-establishing the famous Beeville Minority backbone. You may enter the store through either the front or rear entrance. Tacos and coffee will be serve.

Please be assured that the Beeville Minority movement is asking more of us this time, and even if the sky isn't falling quite yet, these are times that demand more of us. Please join us and bring a friend or two to this tenacious pursit of SIMPLE JUSTICE IN BEEVILLE.

With every good wish, I remain

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Jimmy Martinez', with a stylized 'J' and 'M'.

Jimmy Martinez

CC: Senator Carlos F. Truan
Dr. Hector P. Garcia
Joaquin Avila
Ruben Bonilla
Tony Bonilla