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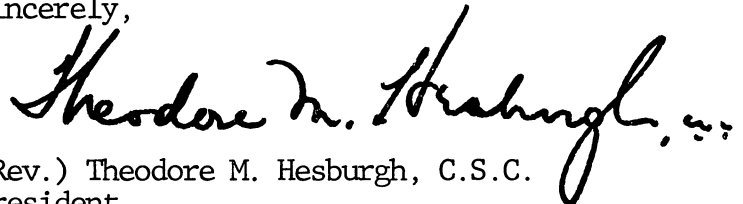
To Whom It May Concern:

I write to strongly endorse the proposal of Dr. Hector Garcia to write a history of the civil rights movement of the Mexican Americans.

I have known Dr. Garcia for many years. We served together on the United States Commission on Civil Rights. He was a creative and vigorous member of that body. Dr. Garcia's interests are broad and universal, and I am certain that any history he were to write would be insightful and challenging.

There is a great need for further research into the history, development, and current problems of our Mexican American population. In many respects, Mexican Americans have been forgotten Americans. Dr. Garcia is in a unique position to enlighten the country about the history and problems of this group. He has been a stalwart in the fight for Mexican American civil rights and is an internationally recognized leader. Any book written by Dr. Garcia would be a major contribution.

Sincerely,

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