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Hector P. Garcia, M.D. American GI Forum of the U.S. 1315 Bright Street Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

Dear Dr. Garcia:

I increasingly marvel at your energy and skill and wish you to know that I was extremely flattered to be the speaker at the Anniversary Dinner of the GI Forum. I can imagine the effort and wisdom that went into the planning of the occasion. The presence of Governor Briscoe, Senator Tower, Congressman Young and the numerous other distinguished guests, is total evidence of your success and that of your fine collaborators.

I can only hope that my remarks at the dinner conveyed the type of message that you had in mind for the occasion. As you know, I was kept pretty busy at the TV and radio stations and I trust this aspect also proved satisfactory.

Warm regards,

Sincerely,

Edward Hidalgo