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Dr. Hector P. Garcia
3024 Morgan Avenue
Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Hector:

The decoration ceremony must be a great satisfaction to you especially at a time when you are in the middle of a fight on civil rights. Your concern that many people might not come to the ceremony was obviously incorrect because it seems that every one in Corpus was there. As for me, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to have been able to participate at a ceremony in which you were the recipient of a decoration by the country of Panama. You can be sure that I will tell the people here of the great friendship which exists between yourself and the Panamanians who live in Corpus Christi. I can assure you that because of your work our own activities in Panama are made easier by your humanitarian spirit.

Please send me the newspaper clippings and pictures of the event. I know it will be interesting to some of the people here especially those who are friends of Consul Carrizo. Thank you very much for your hospitality. We will now be looking forward to a visit from you. Give our regards to every one in your office and may I add that your new building certainly looks fine. I wish you luck when you meet the President next week.

Tu amigo,

Vicente T. Ximenes
Acting Director