

SEPTEMBER 8, 1964

HONRABLE LYNDON B. JOHNSON
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEAR PRESIDENT JOHNSON;

I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK YOU IN BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN G I FORUM, ITS NATIONAL CHAIRMAN, MR. AGUSTIN FLORES OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA; THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, LOUIS TELLEZ OF ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO; MR. RUDOLPH (CORKY) GONZALES OF DENVER, COLORADO, AND MYSELF FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND ATTENTIONS WHILE WE WERE VISITING WASHINGTON, D.C. AND ATTENDING THE NATIONAL CITIZEN'S CONFERENCE ON COMMUNITY RELATIONS. WE CERTAINLY WANT TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE MANY NICE THINGS THAT YOU DID FOR US WHILE IN WASHINGTON AND ALSO FOR THE MANY THINGS YOU HAVE DONE FOR US IN THE PAST.

I APPRECIATE VERY MUCH THE PICTURES THAT YOU SENT US CONCERNING THE VISIT TO THE WHITE HOUSE. I MADE COPIES OF THESE PICTURES AND SENT THEM TO THE PERSONS MENTIONED ABOVE.

WE WRE ALSO FORTUNATE IN HAVING A CONFERENCE WITH SARGENT SHRIVER, THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. WE OFFERED THE SERVICES OF THE AMERICAN G I FORUM TO HELP OUT WITH THE WAR ON POVERTY.

I HOPE THAT IF THERE ARE ANY POSITIONS OR VACANCIES IN THE SERVICE WE MAY HELP OUT. I FEEL THAT WE CAN BE OF GREAT HELP TO YOU BECAUSE OF OUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE SITUATIONS OF THE MEXICAN-AMERICANS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

WE HAVE A LOT OF QUALIFIED EXPERIENCED MEN WHO WOULD BE ABLE TO MOVE FASTER THAT HAVING TO TRAIN SOMEONE NEW WHO IS NOT FAMILIAR WITH OUR PROBLEMS. AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE CONTACTS AND FRIENDS IN APPROXIMATELY TWENTY STATES IN THE NATION AND WE ARE OFFERING OUR SERVICES AND CO-OPERATION.

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GIVE MY REGARDS AND SINCERE THANKS TO MRS. JOHNSON, TO YOUR FAMILY,
AND TO YOUR STAFF. IF I CAN BE OF ANY FURTHER SERVICE PLEASE FEEL
FREE TO CALL ON ME.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

HECTOR P. GARCIA, M.D.

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