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Dr. Hector P. Garcia American G.I. Forum 1315 Bright St. Corpus Christi, Tx. 78405

Dear Dr. Garcia,

It was such a pleasure to have met you recently at the Bonilla Law Firm. Having been born and raised in the Corpus area and never having had the opportunity to meet you until now was quite a treat for me! The diocesan groups represented in Corpus recently to discuss the state's amnesty education program with Dr. Kirby of TEA were equally appreciative of your efforts. Thank you for being there to assist us with our concerns. I know that the Corpus diocese is looking forward to your intervention on the local level with the Corpus Christi ISD.

Remember that Dr. Kirby said he would arrange for a follow-up meeting with diocesan groups statewide and TEA funding sources? That meeting is scheduled for tomorrow in Austin. I am optimistic that with your intervention, Mr. Bonilla's , Ms. Berlanga's and Dr. Kirby's ... we can only expect a positive outcome.

On a personal note, I congratulate you on receiving this year's "Distinguished Alumnus Award" by the University of Texas Ex-Student Association. Both my husband, Ed Sierra and I are graduates of the UT/Austin and are very proud of your contributions. My degree is in Dance and Psychology (I do quite a lot of cultural dance therapy in the community) and Ed has his Bachelor's, Master's and Law degrees from the University. We will not be able to attend the October 6 celebration of your award, but please accept my congratulations from both of us in advance.

Again, Dr. Garcia, thank you for your gracious assistance.

Sinceramente,

Sylvia Quinones, Administrator Catholic Charities Immigration Ministry

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