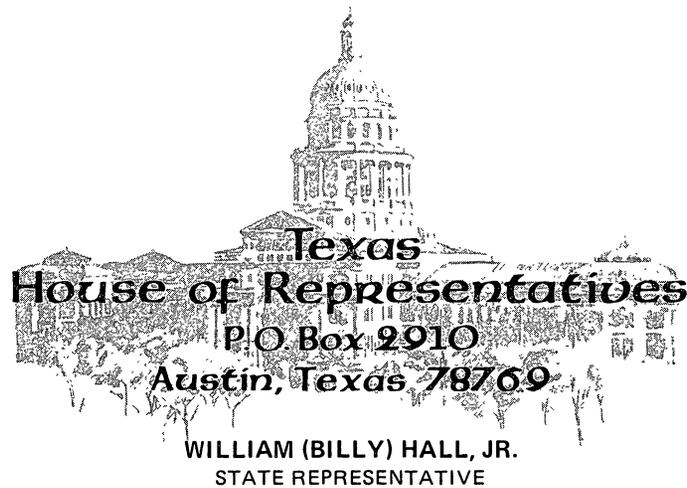


DISTRICT 57  
2519 O'KANE STREET  
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040



HOUSE COMMITTEES  
APPROPRIATIONS  
TRANSPORTATION

April 24, 1979

Dr. Hector P. Garcia  
1315 Bright Street  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

Dear Dr. Garcia:

I am writing to ask for your support of Mr. Mercurio Martinez of Laredo, Texas, for Director of the Small Business Administration for the Dallas District.

Mr. Martinez comes highly qualified for this position. He holds both a BBA and MBA degree in accounting and has done additional graduate work at the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at S.M.U. In addition he has taught business at Laredo Junior College specializing in accounting, economics and business law.

His work experiences have been in the area of banking where he served as Vice President first of the Union National Bank and then of the Laredo National Bank. He has worked a total of five years in the banking environment, is thoroughly familiar with the business community, and has vast experience in the field of commercial loan lending. For the last five years, Mr. Martinez has served as Division Manager of Century Paper, Inc. of Laredo, Texas.

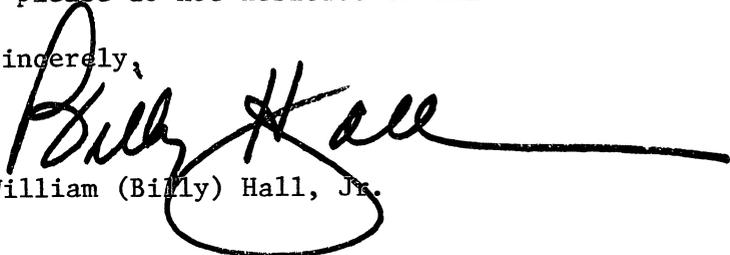
Mr. Martinez's administrative talents have enabled him to serve in many voluntary administrative capacities. He presently serves as City Councilman in Laredo; Chairman of the Advisory Board of the S.B.A. (San Antonio District, two years); Director of Tesoro Savings and Loan Association of Laredo, Texas; President of the Board of Trustees of Laredo Independent School District; President of the Board of Trustees of Laredo Junior College; and just recently he helped coordinate the political campaign of John Hill, Mark White, Jon Newton, John Poerner, John Traeger and myself in Webb and Zapata Counties of Texas.

page two

I respectfully ask that you consider Mr. Mercurio Martinez' qualifications - personal, educational and experiential, and urge you to support him for the position of Director of the Small Business Administration for the Dallas District.

Your consideration is appreciated and if I can be of any help to you on this or any other matter please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



William (Billy) Hall, Jr.

WNH/bml

P.S. If you could talk to Senator Bentsen on behalf of this highly qualified gentleman I would appreciate it.