Program

March 26, 1984

a reception honoring

Dr. Hector P. Garcia

recipient

The Medal of Freedom

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
State Room

Mayflower Hotel
Washington, D.C.

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evening program

music by: **Mariachi de las Americas**
Raul Yzaguirre, master of ceremonies

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welcome
Jake Alarid Rafael D. Pagan

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special remarks
Senator John G. Tower
Senator Lloyd M. Bentsen

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THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

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Dr. Hector Garcia
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Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

Dear Dr. Garcia:

I want to extend my own personal congratulations on the occasion of your acceptance of the Medal of Freedom. As a fellow Texan I am mighty proud that you have been selected to receive this highest of honors.

Your leadership in founding and developing the American G.I. Forum has made it a nationally recognized and respected organization, which has become synonymous with your name.

You have struggled for over three decades to build a structure of fair play and opportunity not only for Hispanics, but for all Americans.

I just want to join your many friends and admirers in sending you my sincere congratulations and my respect,

Sincerely,

George Bush