

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, APRIL 29, 1961

THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE POLITICAL ASSOCIATION OF SPANISH-SPEAKING ORGANIZATIONS (PASO), ENDED ITS CONCLAVE IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, THIS AFTERNOON. THE PRINCIPAL MATTERS DETERMINED AT THIS MEETING WERE THE ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS, THE ISSUANCE OF A MESSAGE SUPPORTING PRESIDENT KENNEDY ON HIS STAND IN THE CURRENT CRISIS WITH CASTRO'S CUBA, AND THE FORMULATION OF ARTICLES DETAILING THE PRINCIPLES OF THE ORGANIZATION.

PASO IS THE OUTGROWTH OF THE NATIONAL VIVA KENNEDY CLUBS, WHICH WERE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE SPANISH-SPEAKING VOTERS DURING THE RECENT PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN. THE GROUP WAS ESTABLISHED AT A NATIONAL CONFERENCE HELD IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA, ON MARCH 25TH OF THIS YEAR.

DOCTOR HECTOR P. GARCIA, OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, THE INTERIM NATIONAL PRESIDENT, SET THE DATE FOR THE FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, IN SEPTEMBER OF THIS YEAR.

AMONG THOSE ATTENDING WERE:

C. JAMES CARREON, MEMBER OF THE ARIZONA STATE LEGISLATURE,

ROBERT CRUZ, CARLOS ESTRADA, AND GENE MARIN FROM PHOENIX, ARIZONA;

EMILIO CARRILLO AND RALPH ESTRADA FROM TUCSON, ARIZONA;

MR. AND MRS. DANNY AGUIRRE FROM CORONADO, CALIFORNIA; DR. RAIMUNDO RODRIGUEZ AND ANTONIO TINAJERO G. FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; ANDREW BARRAGAN FROM SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA; ARMANDO RODRIGUEZ FROM SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA; AND MANUEL MARTINEZ FROM SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA;

DISTRICT ATTORNEY JOHN F. MENDOZA, BOB BACA, MARLENE LUNA, GREGORY PIMENTEL, BOB RAMOS AND ROSE RAMOS FROM LAS VEGAS, NEVADA;

FELIX SALINAS FROM ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO;

LIONEL ESTRADA FROM DALLAS, TEXAS: AND

J. CARLOS MCCORMICK, NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, FROM WASHINGTON, D.C.

SIGNIFICANTLY, THESE ARDENT SUPPORTERS OF THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION HELD THEIR MEETING AT THE NEW FRONTIER HOTEL.