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Post Office Will Be Dedicated To Dr. Hector P. Garcia

WASHINGTON--Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz (D-TX) announced today that the main post office in Corpus Christi will be dedicated in honor of Dr. Hector Perez Garcia Saturday, May 14, at 1:30 p.m. The post office is located at 809 Nueces Bay Boulevard.

Ortiz introduced and passed legislation in the House of Representatives renaming the post office in honor of Dr. Garcia. "Dr. Garcia has dedicated his life to improving the quality of life for Hispanics and his fellow man," Ortiz said. "Renaming a post office was one way to express appreciation for the many accomplishments of this great man."

Dr. Garcia is probably best known as the founder of the American G.I. Forum, a veterans group composed of Americans of Hispanic origin. He served in the Engineer and Medical Corps in World War II and was awarded the bronze Star Medal along with six Battle Stars.

Dr. Garcia has served as an advisor and representative to Presidents Kennedy, Johnson, and Carter in many capacities ranging from various commission positions to special ambassador. Most recently, Dr. Garcia was awarded the Medal of Freedom from President Reagan.

The general public is invited to attend.