

## Agustin 'Gus' Garcia Elected Chair

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March 23, 2006 - New York, New York- Agustin 'Gus' Garcia was elected to chair the Solidaridad Inspiración Amistad Community Foundation this past weekend by its Board of Trustees (BOT). Garcia is an international civil/human rights leader, CEO of GARCORP International, Founding Father of Lambda Theta Phi National Latin Fraternity and also currently chair's the Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity Foundation, Inc.

"This foundation [is] based on equality, paternity and respect for culture and individual roots and backgrounds," said Garcia, " [w]ith this appointment it is an opportunity to help those not only less fortunate economically but also to fight for political equality"

Elections also included the confirmation of Jessica A. Mayorga as the Foundation Chief Executor and Michelle E. Sazo as the Foundation Chief Financial Officer. Mayorga and Sazo will be leaving their respective positions on the Hermandad de Sigma Iota Alpha, Inc. (SIA) national executive board to take on the Foundation as their sole responsibility. They have both been acting in their respective positions on the BOT since it was officially put in place by SIA this past September.

"We are excited to concentrate our efforts solely on the Foundation," said Mayorga, "we are especially fortunate to have Gus as chair, he has really been a driving force for us and his experience is invaluable to help the Foundation grow."

Also elected was the Foundation Board Vice Chair, Lucria Ortiz, Esq., an accomplished Bronx attorney, and Sorority Chief Executive Officer Ivone De Jesus, member of SIA and currently Vice President of Community Affairs for the sorority.

About Solidaridad Inspiración Amistad Community Foundation, Inc The Solidaridad Inspiración Amistad Community Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, is dedicated to uplifting Latino communities nationwide while upholding values of: education, community service, leadership and professional development. The Foundation also administers a national scholarship fund for incoming college freshmen who exhibit the values of the Foundation in their lives and who demonstrate academic merit, significant service to communities in need and exemplary leadership capabilities.

About Hermandad de Sigma Iota Alpha, Inc. Hermandad de Sigma Iota Alpha, Inc. (SIA) was founded on September 29, 1990 by a diverse group of women with the goal of creating an organization that would help their communities, unite women, and uphold a set of distinct goals. SIA is more than a sorority; we are a family and network of professional, strong and dedicated women leaders. We are also a 501(c)7 tax-exempt organization and we work in conjunction with the Solidaridad Inspiración Amistad Community Foundation, Inc. - a 501(c)3 Community Foundation committed to scholarship, service and professional development within Latino communities nationally.

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