

RESOLUTION: ENCOURAGE THE GOVERNOR TO APPOINT HISPANICS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EVERY INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THE STATE OF OHIO WHICH HAS A HISPANIC PRESENCE

SUBMITTED BY: THE HISPANIC ROUNDTABLE

WHEREAS, a college graduate earns nearly a million dollars more than a high school graduate; and

WHEREAS, more education equates with higher earnings; and

WHEREAS, college graduates enjoy a higher level of savings; and

WHEREAS, college graduates enjoy increased personal and professional mobility; and

WHEREAS, college graduates improve the quality of life for their offspring; and

WHEREAS, college graduates make better consumer decisions; and

WHEREAS, college graduates have a higher correlation of good health for themselves and for their children; and

WHEREAS, college graduates increase tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, college graduates are more productive in the work force; and

WHEREAS, college graduates decrease reliance on government financial support.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hispanic Roundtable and other Ohio Latino Leadership Groups will encourage the Governor to appoint a Hispanic to every institution of higher learning in the state of Ohio which has a Hispanic presence, particularly although not exclusively, in Cleveland, Toledo, Lorain, Youngstown, and Columbus.

RESOLUTION: TO APPOINT HISPANICS TO LOCAL, STATE, AND NATIONAL OFFICE

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WHEREAS, the Latino population explosion has dramatically changed America and has had a spectacular social, economic, cultural and political impact; and

WHEREAS, the median age for Hispanics was 26.7% in 2003, the lowest of all groups, compared with 35.9% for the overall U.S. population; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, 34.1% of Hispanics were younger than 18 years of age; and

WHEREAS, by the year 2040, the U.S. Hispanic population is expected to reach or exceed one-hundred million, where one in four persons will be of Hispanic descent; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics are more likely to be appointed rather than elected to public office; and

WHEREAS, the Hispanic viewpoint is not today being recognized in proportion to the demographics in government; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics are underrepresented in public service.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hispanic Roundtable and other Ohio Latino Leadership Groups will encourage and lobby the Governor of Ohio, and the County Commissioners and Mayors throughout Ohio which have a Hispanic presence, to appoint Hispanics to public office and/or support candidates who are running for public office.

RESOLUTION: TO ESTABLISH A MECHANISM FOR CONDUCTING, COLLECTING, ANALYZING AND DISSEMINATING RESEARCH ON HISPANICS IN NORTHERN OHIO, ON AN ONGOING AND SYSTEMATIC BASIS

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WHEREAS, there is a lack of research on Hispanics in Northern Ohio, and

WHEREAS, there is no established mechanism for conducting, collecting, analyzing and reporting research results on Hispanics in Northern Ohio on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, the research serves to inform the Hispanic community and its leaders about needs and trends within the community so that its organizations can develop programs and priorities to improve the status and well-being of Hispanics in Northern Ohio; and

WHEREAS, data-driven decision-making is widely accepted in the philanthropic, corporate, and political arenas as the basis for providing funding and support; and

WHEREAS, ongoing research on Hispanics in Northern Ohio can assist leaders, funders, and policymakers in the private, public and nonprofit sectors to identify and establish priorities to meet the most critical issues confronting the Hispanic community in a more culturally competent and effective manner.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hispanic Roundtable, in collaboration with other institutional partners, will commission research on educational, economic and civic status of the Hispanic community of Northern Ohio, the findings of which will serve as the basis for more extensive and longitudinal research.

FURTHER, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hispanic Roundtable, in collaboration with other institutional partners, will establish a mechanism for conducting, collecting, analyzing and distributing longitudinal research on Hispanics in Northern Ohio, on an ongoing and systematic basis.