



League of United Latin American Citizens

Resolution in Support for Special Recognition- Santa Ana LULAC #147 Celebrating 70 Years

Whereas, Santa Ana LULAC Council #147 of the League of United Latin American Citizens was founded and established in June 1946 by local Santa Ana residents;

Whereas, Santa Ana LULAC #147 has a long history of community involvement prior to its organizational founding with key individual co-founders filing as co-plaintiffs of the important *Mendez, eta/ vs. Westminster School District* (64 F. Supp. 544, 161 F2d 744) 1946 lawsuit;

Whereas, In 1972, Santa Ana LULAC filed a successful lawsuit for the adoption by the City of Santa Ana for affirmative action steps to hire Latinos and other minorities for its police and fire departments;

Whereas Santa Ana LULAC #147's lawsuit in 1972 ended the practice of the placement of Spanish-speaking students in Educationally Mentally Retarded (EMR) classes within the Santa Ana Unified School District, solely because of language other than English.

Whereas, Santa Ana LULAC #147 has raised and awarded well over \$300,000 in scholarships to high school students and continuing college/university students continuing their post-secondary education and receiving their academic degrees to succeed in their personal careers;

Whereas, LULAC National through its LULAC National Educational Service Centers (LNEC) has assisted Santa Ana LULAC #147 match its local fundraising efforts which have helped thousands of young students overcome many barriers and obstacles to pursue their college and university education.

Whereas, Santa Ana LULAC #147 maintains a strong and effective partnership with the American GI Forum to provide policy direction and management stewardship to SER Jobs for Progress, Inc. of Orange County for nearly fifty years- since 1967;

Whereas, Santa Ana LULAC #147 continues to support local student efforts through its high school LULAC youth councils, currently at Segerstrom High School, and previously at Saddleback High School - assisting students excel in academic success and mastering personal leadership development;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that LULAC National congratulates Santa Ana LULAC #147 and it's members for its 70 years of service to the community.

Voted and approved at the 2016 National LULAC Convention - July 16, 2016

Roger C. Rocha, Jr.
LULAC National President