



League of United Latin American Citizens

Resolution to Support Legislation to Enact a Cesar Chavez Day

Whereas, LULAC National is the oldest Hispanic Civil Rights organization in the United States; and

Whereas, the mission of the LULAC is to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, housing, health and civil rights of the Hispanic population of the United States; and

Whereas, the Hispanic population in the United States is the fastest growing minority majority population, and Cesar Chavez demonstrated leadership to the importance of having humility, respect and courage as we work to eliminate inequities and expand fairness and justice in our communities; and

Whereas, while we proudly celebrate the legacy of Cesar Chavez on the holiday named for him and while we honor and celebrate his accomplishments and influence, we will also reflect on the work that remains. Ongoing exposure to racism, discrimination and lack of opportunity continue to exert a toll on the quality of life of millions of Americans; and

Whereas, honoring Cesar's legacy links us to both historic and contemporary struggles for justice and democracy while simultaneously emphasizing the fundamental importance of grassroots organizing in waging effective movements for change.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, LULAC National supports legislation to establish Cesar Chavez Day on the 31st of March of each year a national holiday. Cesar Chavez Day reminds us of the importance of having humility, respect, and courage as we work to eliminate inequities and expand fairness and justice in our communities.

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