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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR FOR RETIRED 1ST SERGEANT ALBERTO CUELLAR

WHEREAS, retired 1st Sergeant Alberto Cuellar has received the following honors in service of his coun-

National Defense Service Medal, Purple Heart w/ 5 Oak Clusters, Combat Infantry Badge 2nd Award, Distinguished Service Cross, Air Medal, Silver Star w/ 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, Bronze Star Medal, Good Conduct Medal w/Bronze 4 Loops, Army Commendation Medal, Vietnam Service Medal w/Bronze Service Stars, Vietnamese Gallantry Cross w/Bronze Star, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal,

WHEREAS there is a CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR AWARD Pending Presidential Approval (Mar 11, 1966 - Message number 609-66-6437 USA PAC-COM Per Para 26 DA message 6576/00/34 dtd 24 March 1966, NAC TOP SECRET 2/1/66, 5th Special Forces Group BIEN DIEN BHY, OPP/COM, OK Graduate Nov 16, 1968, Officer Status for 8 months to reserve status upon individual request, 1st Lt active duty grade, Reserve Commissioned, Major USA, Date of Rank Nov. 16, 73...

WHEREAS over the years, he has battled many ailments associated with his role in the military, includ-
it 17 years of cancer recently suspected to be a result of his service in the Savannah River Defense Area an Agent Orange. Today, he is permanently on dialysis as a result of renal carcinoma; yet, he pushes forwa ("cassons keep rolling along...") with a positive outlook... still working at 71 years of age.

WHEREAS there have been 41 Hispanic recipients of the Medal of Honor since the medals inception during the Civil War. Sixteen of those recipients' citations were during the Vietnam War. A significant majority of the Hispanic Medal of Honor recipients were awarded posthumously. In fact, 61% of the 24 Vietnam recipients (in total) received the Medal of Honor posthumously.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT LULAC use all of its influence to have retired 1st Sgt. Alberto Cuellar award the Congressional Medal of Honor Award that is currently pending approval.

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