



District of Columbia Statehood Congressional Delegation

Office of US Representative (Shadow) Franklin Garcia

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION



EL SALVADOR INDEPENDENCE DAY &

EL GUANACO DAY FESTIVAL RESOLUTION OF 2015

To recognize September 15, 2015, which marks the 195TH Independence Day of the Republic of El Salvador, and to honor this occasion and the role of Salvadoran nationals and immigrants for their economic vitality, development, diversity and rich cultural contributions in and around the Metropolitan Area of Washington, DC.

WHEREAS, September 15, 1821 is the independence and proclamation of the sovereignty of El Salvador; and, marks this nation's 195TH Independence anniversary.

WHEREAS, the Salvadoran community is the largest Latino group concentration in the DC Metro Area and stands as the second largest concentration of Salvadorans living in the diaspora.

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia welcomes, encourages, promotes and facilitates broad and inclusive civic participation and cultural diversity.

WHEREAS, El Guanaco Festival celebrates this anniversary with its Fourth Festival, which helps unite Salvadorans, Latin Americans and a wealth of all kinds of communities in our area by exposing the Salvadoran culture, folk, cuisine, arts and more, which are part of their heritage and ours; and,

RESOLVED, BY THE OFFICE OF U.S. REPRESENTATIVE (SHADOW) FRANKLIN GARCIA, that this resolution may be cited as the "El Salvador Independence Day & El Guanaco Day Festival Resolution of 2015".

Sec. 2. The District of Columbia Statehood Congressional Delegation recognizes and celebrates September 15TH as the Independence Day of El Salvador. And, in unity with Salvadorans, its government, El Guanaco Day Festival organizers, and the community, we honor the contributions Salvadorans make every day to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its public proclamation.

Representative Franklin Garcia