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Lic. Jesús Seade Kuri Subsecretario para América del Norte Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores Embassy of Mexico 1911 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20006

Dear Under Secretary Seade:

I write to express my gratitude for the many contributions made to Tucson by your Consul, Ricardo Pineda Albarran.

The September 15 Independence Day celebration that took place at the Fox Theatre in Tucson earlier this month was an extraordinary gift to the residents of our city, even surpassing last year's event. Hosted by Consul Pineda, the event was free to the community, and included classical music, opera, and mariachi.

This event was just one example of how the Consul engenders goodwill on a daily basis between our two countries. It was a display of patriotism for Tucson's Mexican-American and Mexican expatriate populations, including those working, studying, or visiting from Mexico.

The theater was packed and, for two-and-a-half hours, the audience was treated to a beautiful expression of the power of music to bring people together. Ambassador Bárcena, with her own contribution to the world of art, would have been particularly moved by Consul Pineda's event.

I have had the pleasure of working with Consul Pineda on many initiatives. He is an unassuming man with an extraordinary work ethic, always ready to credit others for his work.

Mr. Under Secretary, as Mayor, I am honored to represent the people who call Tucson home. Please pass along my commendation and admiration to your staff and Secretary Ebrard. If all diplomacy was practiced following the example of Consul Pineda, the world would be a better place.

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