



The City of Minneapolis

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

**By Reich, Gordon, Frey, B. Johnson, Yang, Warsame,
Goodman, Glidden, Cano, Bender, Quincy, and A. Johnson**

Honoring the International Recognition of Contributions to the City of Minneapolis by Mariano Espinoza.

Whereas, Mariano Espinoza began working for the Minneapolis's Neighborhood & Community Relations department as the Latino Community Specialist in 2012; and

Whereas, during his tenure at the City, Mariano has demonstrated exemplary skills at engaging diverse community residents in advocating for public policy change and communicating about City services to the Latino community; and

Whereas, Mariano has shown excellence in his ability to help neighborhoods and the City alike diversify their boards and commissions; and

Whereas, Mariano played a critical role as one of the leaders in passing the MN Dream Act giving in-state tuition and aid to hundreds of eligible undocumented students; and

Whereas, Mariano's leadership, ability to engage communities, and commitment to issues of social justice have led to the City being recognized by the Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota; and

Whereas, the Ohtli Award is the most prestigious recognition given by the Mexican government to a civilian living outside of Mexico; and

Whereas, on June 1, 2015 Mariano's commitment to issues facing the Mexican, Mexican-American, and Latino communities of Minneapolis were recognized and celebrated at an official ceremony where the Mexican Consul Alberto Fierro presented Mariano with the Ohtli award;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the City of Minneapolis City Council does hereby present this Honorary Resolution in recognition of their sincere admiration and appreciation for the many contributions made by Mariano Espinoza to the City of Minneapolis.

Passed, June 5, 2015

Barbara Johnson, President of the Council

Approved:

Betsy Hodges, Mayor

Attest:

Casey Carl, City Clerk