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- (A) Report Only Recognition

Presenter(s):

Briefly describe the subject of the report or recognition presentation.

- (B) Action Item

Presenter(s): MR. GILBERTO GONZALEZ, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Briefly describe the action required.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE REQUEST TO APPROVE MR. RICK HERNANDEZ, LEAD ADVISOR FOR THE US CUSTOMS & BORDER PROTECTION EXPLORER POST #2303, AS ADJUNCT STAFF MEMBER.

- (C) **Funding source: Identify the source of funds if any are required.**

- (D) **Clarification: Explain any question or issues that might be raised regarding this item.**



**Office of Field Operations
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Law Enforcement Explorer Program
Eagle Pass, Texas Post #2303**



Mr. Gonzalez,

My name is Rick Hernandez and I am the Lead Advisor for the U.S. Customs & Border Protection Explorer Post #2303 based at the Eagle Pass, TX. Port of Entry. Our Explorer Post is planning several events that take place during the daily school session and I am requesting that they participate with our Post. The first activity is the Law Enforcement Torch Run that is part of the Special Olympics on March 08, 2017. This event would take approximately three class periods or less starting before 7:00 a.m. The second activity is a Law Enforcement Competition sponsored by Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde, Texas on April 21, 2017. This event is an all-day event with the E.P.I.S.D. Law Enforcement classes also planning to participate. The reason I write this letter is to request designation as an Adjunct Staff Member. I previously spoke to Mr. Luis Sifuentes and asked him how I would go about having the students excused from classes and he instructed me to write this letter to the Superintendent of Schools and request the designation.

I am a very responsible person and the safety of our Explorers is our utmost priority. We do have their parent's permission to participate in our Post. The Explorers program helps our local youth who are interested in a Law Enforcement career learn what it is to be a Federal, State or Local law enforcement officer. Our program provides the Explorers with police training as well as physical conditioning. It also gives them an alternative activity rather than roaming the city or simply sitting at home playing video games. We stress the importance of getting an education and we keep up with their grades as it is a requirement to maintain a "C" average in order to remain in the program.

Mr. Gonzalez, please take this request into consideration and I hope that it meets your approval. About 98% of our Explorers are students of our school district and they have worked hard at school to maintain their grades and they have also worked hard within our Post. This program provides a win-win for both the school district and our program as both of us are charged with molding these students into productive citizens of our community.

Please feel free to contact me at (830) 776-2925 if you have any questions.

Thank you,