

BERNARDO DE GÁLVEZ

1746 -1786



"Through the years, Hispanics have risen to the call of duty in defence of liberty and freedom. Their bravery is well known and has been demonstrated time and again, dating back to the aid rendered by General Bernardo de Galvez during the American Revolution"

*President Ronald Reagan Proclamation 5084 -
National Hispanic Heritage Week, August 25, 1983*

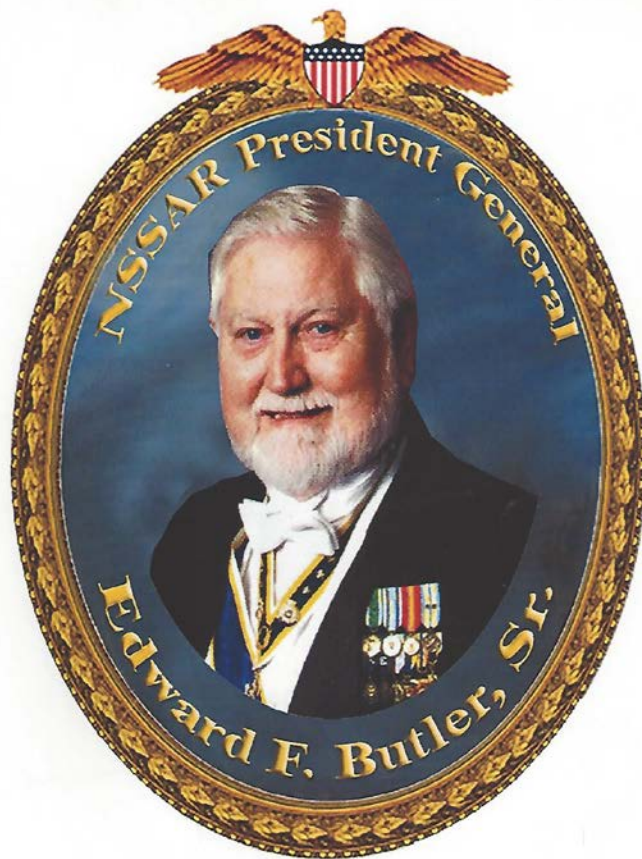
RECOGNIZING GALVEZ

by

Judge Ed Butler

SPANISH EMBASSY

NOV. 13, 2018



President
General
NSSAR
2009-2010



2009-2010
“Honoring Spain”

Galvez Painting
in PG Office
Behind Desk



My wife and I
visited all
Galvez Battle
Sites

This is a detailed map of Spain and the Iberian Peninsula. The map shows the Atlantic Ocean to the west and north, the Bay of Biscay to the north, and the Mediterranean Sea to the east and south. Major cities like Madrid, Barcelona, Seville, and Valencia are marked. The map also shows the Pyrenees mountains, the Balearic Islands, and the Strait of Gibraltar. A legend indicates the color coding for Low, Hills, and Mountains. The map is credited to worldatlas and GraphicMaps.com.

**MADRID, SPAIN
MAY 10-18, 2010
&
POST-TOUR
TO MARBELLA
MAY 18-21, 2010**







GÁLVEZ



*Spain - Our Forgotten
Ally In The American
Revolutionary War: A
Concise Summary of
Spain's Assistance*

**AWARD
WINNING
AMERICAN
HISTORY
BOOK**

Judge Ed Butler

SO FAR, THE *GALVEZ* BOOK HAS WON SIX AWARDS:

1. THE TEXAS CONNECTION TO THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION -

"BEST AMERICAN HISTORY BOOK ABOUT THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR IN 2014"

2. READERS' REVIEW GAVE IT ITS - "5 STAR AWARD"

3. THE SONS OF THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS PRESENTED ITS - "PRESIDIO LA BAHIA AWARD "

4. TEXAS HILL COUNTRY CHAPTER OF COLONIAL DAMES - "BEST HISTORY BOOK IN 2015."

5. INTERNATIONAL LATINO BOOK AWARD FOR - "BEST HISTORY BOOK IN 2016"

6. DAR MEDAL OF HONOR FOR WRITING AND MAKING PRESENTATIONS ABOUT SPAIN'S ASSISTANCE.

Galvez Book Tour by Judge Ed Butler- 87 Presentations in 40 Cities



Resolutions Supporting Galvez Documentary

RESOLUTION

of the

TEXAS SOCIETY,

ORDER OF THE FOUNDERS OF NORTH AMERICA 1492-1602

WHEREAS, members of the above group met on _____, and at this meeting were presented with a plan to produce a documentary about General Bernardo de Galvez and Spain's assistance to the United States during the American Revolutionary War, and

WHEREAS, this group recognized the important support the U.S. received from Spain during the American Revolutionary War, and

WHEREAS, This group has been advised that the U.S. National Park Service will in the near future consider a substantial financial contribution toward the production of a documentary film about General Bernardo de Galvez and Spain's assistance to the United States during the American Revolutionary War, based upon the award winning book *Galvez / Spain - Our Forgotten Ally in the American Revolutionary War: A Concise Summary of Spain's Assistance*, by Judge Edward F. Butler, Sr., and

WHEREAS, Judge Butler's book has a highly favorable rating by Amazon.com, and has won five separate awards, and

WHEREAS, Gary Foreman, who produced the six part series on the American Revolutionary War which was aired by the History Channel, and the documentary film at the King's Mountain Battlefield, has agreed to serve as the producer of a documentary film about General Bernardo de Galvez and Spain's assistance to the United States during the American Revolutionary War, and has film footage of battle scenes "in the can" and has already obtained David Arkenston, a well respected composer/conductor, who created the musical score for *Lord of the Rings*, to create the musical background for the documentary, and

WHEREAS, a proposal has already been submitted to the U.S. Park Service with a request for funding of this project, and

WHEREAS, The Sons of the American Revolution's George Washington Foundation has recently donated \$8,000.00 toward the production of a series about the American Revolutionary War battles in South Carolina, and members of the George Washington Foundation's distribution committee have expressed an interest in the project and a willingness to consider making a contribution towards a Galvez documentary, and

WHEREAS, many other groups have already endorsed the making of the documentary including Spanish Presence in American Roots (SPAR), the Texas Connection with the American Revolution (TCARA), the Society of Hispanic Historical and Ancestral Research (SHHAR), and the Granaderos y Damas de Galvez, and

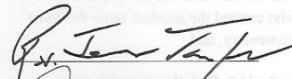
WHEREAS, it is in the interest of educating Americans about Spain's assistance as an ally in the American Revolutionary War, and

WHEREAS, our group has not yet been asked to make a financial contribution towards the documentary,

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED BY TEXAS SOCIETY, ORDER OF THE FOUNDERS OF NORTH AMERICA 1492-1602

AS FOLLOWS:

1. **TEXAS SOCIETY, ORDER OF THE FOUNDERS OF NORTH AMERICA 1492-1602** wholeheartedly endorses the concept of a documentary about Spain's involvement in the American Revolutionary War.
2. **TEXAS SOCIETY, ORDER OF THE FOUNDERS OF NORTH AMERICA 1492-1602**, acknowledges that Galvez' army was an American army which included American colonists, French, Spanish, Irish, Scottish, Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Black, American Indians, Cajun and Creole soldiers and supporters.
3. **TEXAS SOCIETY, ORDER OF THE FOUNDERS OF NORTH AMERICA 1492-1602**, encourages other organizations to endorse the production of this documentary.
4. That the promoters of the documentary are herewith authorized to use the name of this group and its logo as a sponsor of the documentary.


President/Governor/Regent, etc.

Secretary

10/25/17

Date

We Have Similar Resolutions From:

Texas Society of Colonial Wars

Texas Society Sons of the Revolution

Arizona Society Sons of the Revolution

Florida Society Sons of the Revolution

Texas Society War of 1812

Texas Society Order of Founders & Patriots of America

Texas Society Order of the Founders of N. America

Texas Society Washington's Army at Valley Forge

Texas Connection to the American Revolution

Somos Primos

Spanish Presence in America's Roots

Order of the Granaderos de Galvez

Granaderos Award

The Order of
Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez
Founding Chapter
San Antonio, Texas



Extends its utmost appreciation to

Judge Ed Butler, Sr.

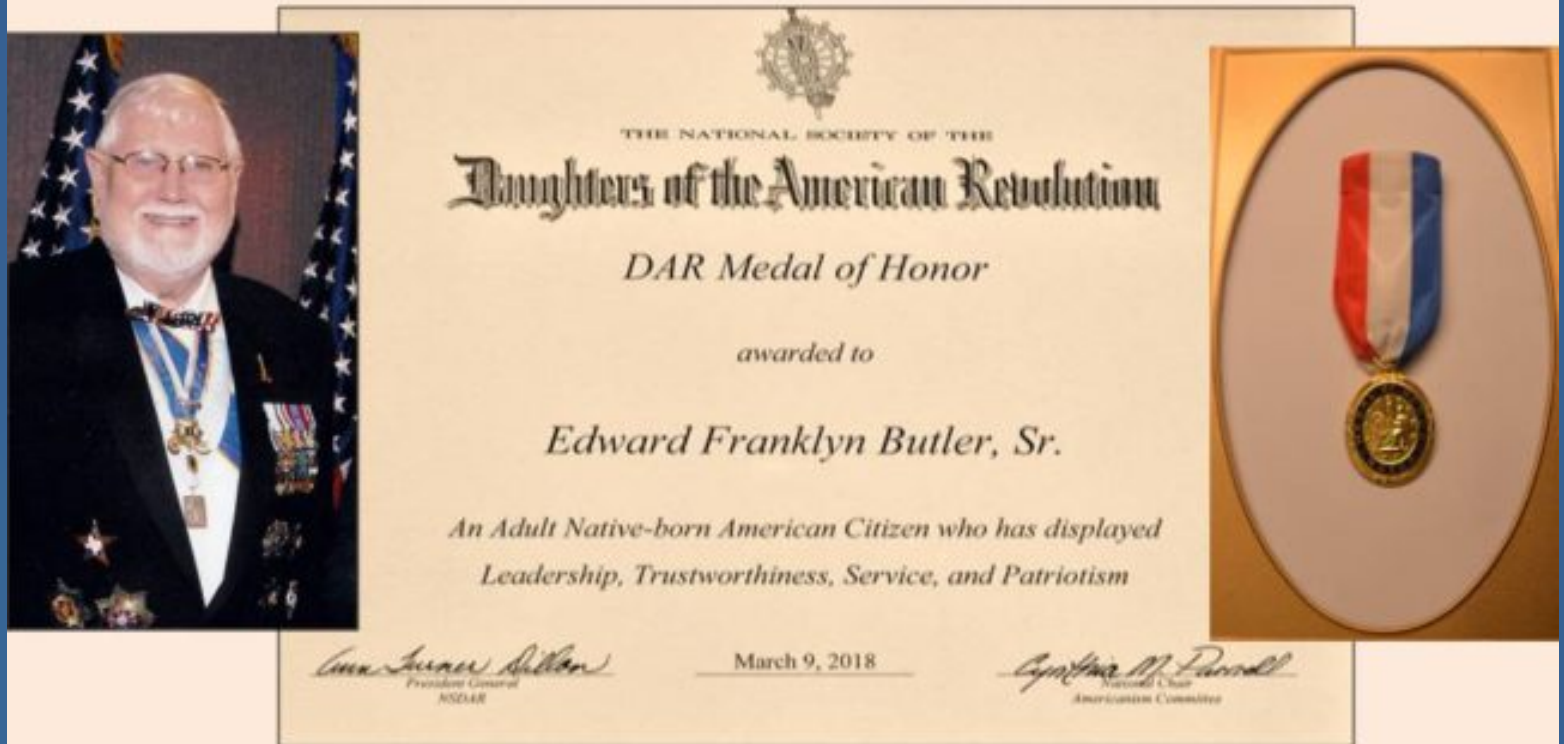
For his outstanding and informative lecture
"Texas and Spain in the American Revolutionary War"
Presented at the La Madeleine Restaurant
722 NW Loop 410, San Antonio, Texas
At a monthly meeting of our Organization,
And for the many
Special contributions he has made through the years in documenting Spain's
Contribution to the American Revolution

August 6, 2008

Joel Escamilla
Governor

Deputy Governor
Deputy Governor

DAR Medal of Honor



San Antonio - Mar. 10, 2018

Mrs. Ann Dennis, Regent of the Texas Society, Daughters of the American Revolution announced today that **Judge Edward F. Butler, Sr. of San Antonio** had been awarded the DAR's highest honor at its state convention last night. Judge Butler was presented with the DAR Medal of Honor, the most prestigious honor awarded by the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Each year the DAR presents up to two Medals of Honor internationally.

Readers' Favorite 5 Star Award



Readers Favorite 5 Star Book Award (9/1/2015) for

Gálvez / Spain - Our Forgotten Ally In The American Revolutionary War: A Concise Summary of Spain's Assistance, by Judge Ed Butler

Reviewed by Carine Engelbrecht for Readers' Favorite:

With the person and legend of General Bernardo de Gálvez as the focal point, Galvez by Judge Edward F. Butler, Sr revisits a neglected chapter of early American history. While there has always been a touch of glamour to the role France played in the American Revolution, few people today are aware of the full extent of Spain's support for the aspirations of the signatories of the Declaration of Independence. As the Spanish governor based at New Orleans, Gálvez occupied a key position and proved a valuable ally to the fledgling United States.

The book reveals the existence of aid agreements between Spain and the American Revolutionaries even before the War of Independence began. Spain's contribution covered various fronts. The Spanish sent supplies of food, arms, gunpowder, tents and medical supplies, but also provided intelligence and military support by securing river trade options and making sure that key coastal ports were available for the benefit of the Revolutionaries.

As a resource, Galvez by Judge Edward F. Butler, Sr. deserves a special place in the collection of any amateur historian. In particular, the book would be of enormous interest to readers with a specific interest in military history in general or the American Revolution in particular. It is obviously written by an author who is passionate about his topic and brims over with eagerness to share what he knows with his readers.

Each section is meticulously referenced and the book also includes a selection of photographs, maps, paintings and other illustrations, as well as a timeline of the Spanish involvement in the American Revolution. Although the book is named for Gálvez, it is not so much a biography as a testament to his actions and his vision, aiming to correct the injustice inherent in the man's relative obscurity today and seeking to forge new ties with Spain on the strength of this shared heritage.

Sons of the Republic of Texas Presidio La Bahia Award

Galvez Book Wins 3rd Award



SRT Presidio La Bahia Medal Presented to Judge Ed Butler

dissemination of data, and research into our Texas heritage, with particular attention to the Spanish Colonial period. Material may be submitted concerning the influence on Texas culture of our Spanish Colonial heritage in laws, customs, language, religion, architecture, art, and other related fields.

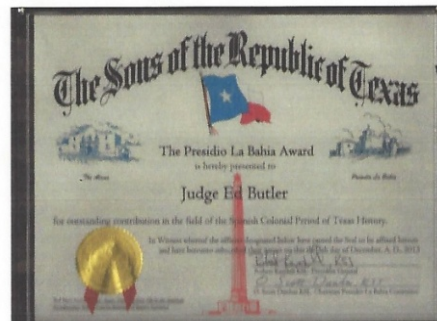
This book also won the "Best History Book on the American Revolutionary War for 2014, presented by the Texas Connection with the American Revolution, and the "Five Star Award" from Readers' Favorite.

On Dec. 5, 2015, Robert Kendall, President General of the Sons of the Republic of Texas (SRT) presented "The Presidio La Bahia Award" to Judge Ed Butler for his book *Galvez / Spain - Our Forgotten Ally in the American Revolutionary War: A Concise Summary of Spain's Assistance*.

The presentation was made in the Chapel of the Presidio La Bahia at Goliad, TX. during the SRT's annual awards program. The award consisted of a \$300.00 check, a framed certificate, and a handsome medal mounted on a neck ribbon.

The Presidio La Bahia Award, administered by the Sons of the Republic of Texas, was established on April 22, 1968, through the generosity of Kathryn Stoner O'Connor, as an annual literary award. The

purpose of the award is to promote suitable preservation of relics, appropriate

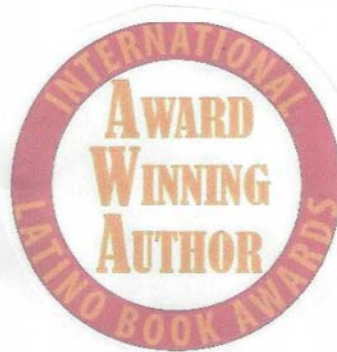


SRT Presidio La Bahia Award Certificate

International Latino Book Award

**The International Latino
Book Awards
Has Named Judge Ed Butler
as an Award Winning Author
For His book:**

*Galvez: Spain - Our Forgotten Ally in the
American Revolutionary War:
A Concise Summary of Spain's Assistance*



Colonial Dames Book Medal



**Texas A & M University of
San Antonio**

Provided the Funds to
Produce the following Trailer.



Documentary Trailer
sponsored by
Texas A&M University
San Antonio, TX

GÁLVEZ!







Galvez Center at Texas A & M San Antonio to include:

Galvez Library

Galvez Museum

Galvez Archives

Galvez Gallery

Galvez Auditorium

Galvez Scholar to serve as Director and run

Galvez Annual Symposium

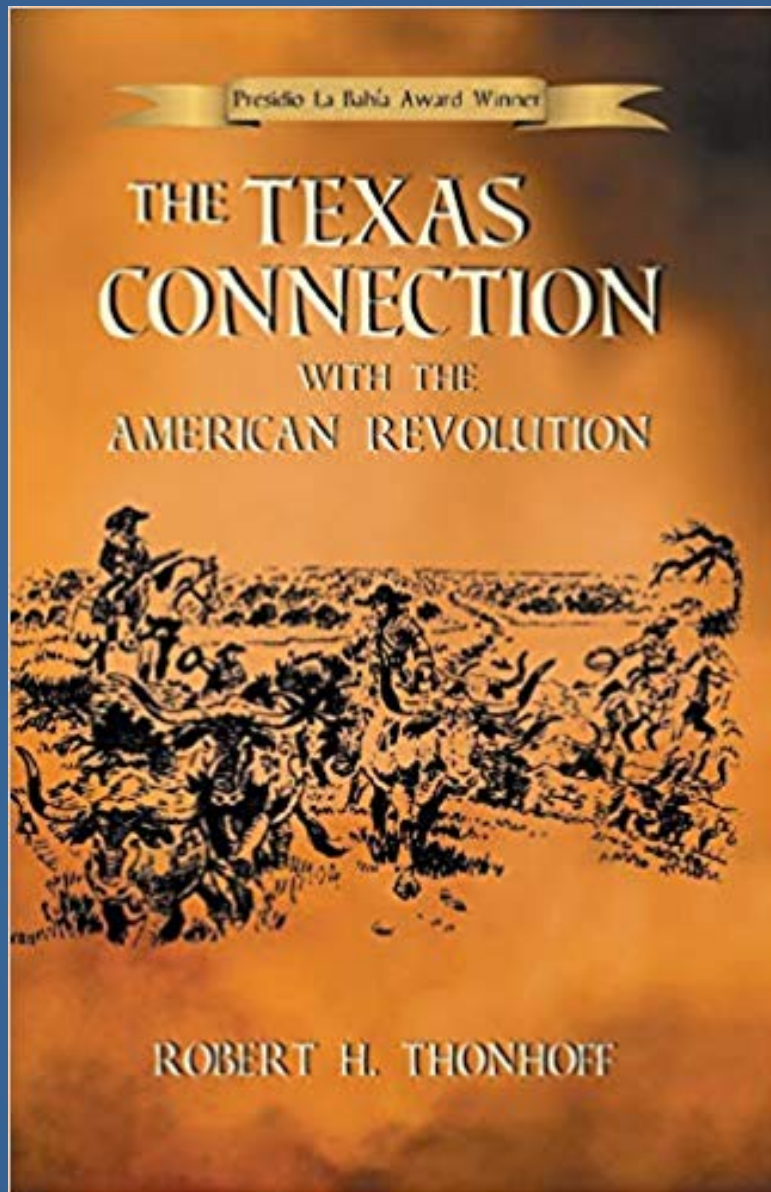
Galvez Annual Symposium

Galvez Annual Journal (publish speeches from Symposium)

Galvez Auditorium & Meeting Rooms for Lineage Societies

Galvez Center Gift Shop

Co-Sponsorship of Galvez Documentary



***The Texas
Connection With
the American
Revolution***

by
Judge Robert H.
Thonhoff

**9,000 – 15,000 Head of Cattle
Trailed from San Antonio to LA**



Tennessee SAR Galvez Medal



LA & FL SAR Galvez Medals



Texas SAR Galvez Medal



All Texas 8th Graders Learn about Bernardo de Gálvez

Significant Leaders Covered:

Abigail Adams, John Adams, Wentworth
Cheswell, Samuel Adams, Mercy Otis
Warren, James Armistead, Benjamin Franklin,

Bernardo de Gálvez,

Crispus Attucks, King George III, Haym
Salomon, Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson,
the Marquis de Lafayette, Thomas Paine,
and George Washington;

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P. O. BOX 2508
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: JAN 21 2005

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Accounting Period Ending:
DECEMBER 31
Public Charity Status:
509(a) (2)
Form 990 Required:
YES
Effective Date of Exemption:
JULY 23, 2004
Contribution Deductibility:
YES
Advance Ruling Ending Date:
DECEMBER 31, 2008

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. During your advance ruling period, you will be treated as a public charity. Your advance ruling period begins with the effective date of your exemption and ends with advance ruling ending date shown in the heading of the letter.

Shortly before the end of your advance ruling period, we will send you Form 8734, Support Schedule for Advance Ruling Period. You will have 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period to return the completed form. We will then notify you, in writing, about your public charity status.

Please see enclosed Information for Exempt Organizations Under Section 501(c)(3) for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

Letter 1045 (DO/CG)

TCARA's IRS TAX Exempt Status



BENEFITS OF AIRING THE GALVEZ DOCUMENTARY ON TELEVISION



1. ENHANCED AWARENESS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF SPAIN'S ASSISTANCE DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR.
2. IT WILL PROVIDE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE TO SCHOOL BOARDS AROUND THE UNITED STATES TO INCLUDE SPAIN'S ASSISTANCE IN THE CURRICULUM.
3. ASSIST AMERICAN HISTORY TEXT BOOK WRITERS IN INCORPORATING THE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE SPANISH.
4. PROVIDE A TEACHING AID TO HISTORY TEACHERS AND PROFESSORS.
5. RECOGNIZES THAT SPAIN IS A "PLANK OWNER" IN AMERICAN DEMOCRACY.
6. SUGGEST AREAS OF FUTURE RESEARCH ON SPAIN'S ASSISTANCE.
7. IS EVIDENCE THAT GENERAL BERNARDO DE GALVEZ IS A TRUE AMERICAN HERO.
8. ASSIST THE DAR, CAR, SAR, SR, ORDER OF THE FOUNDERS OF NORTH AMERICA, ORDER OF THE FOUNDERS AND PATRIOTS OF AMERICA AND OTHER LINEAGE SOCIETIES IN THEIR EFFORTS TO RECRUIT HISPANICS AS MEMBERS.
9. PROVIDES FOR FULL FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS AS A GIFT TO A 501 C # TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION.
10. IT IS A WORTHY PROJECT TO SUPPLEMENT THE BODY OF HISTORICAL KNOWLEDGE WITH ESTABLISHED HISTORICAL ACCOUNTS
11. FINALLY, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE KNOWLEDGE THAT IT BRINGS WILL INSTILL WITHIN OUR NATION'S HISPANIC POPULATION, MANY OF WHOM DESCEND FROM AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIERS FROM SPAIN AND NEARBY SPANISH TERRITORIES, A DEEP BELIEF THAT THEIR RESPECTIVE ANCESTORS PLAYED A VITAL ROLE IN THE OBTAINING OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE.



COMMENT:



FOR THE PAST SIX YEARS I HAVE BEEN ANNUALLY ASKED TO BE THE PRIMARY SPEAKER AT A WONDERFUL VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION AT AUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN SAN ANTONIO, TX. EACH YEAR I WEAR MY REVOLUTIONARY WAR UNIFORM AND ANNUALLY I TELL THEM ABOUT SPAIN'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR. THEY ARE AMAZED TO DISCOVER THAT GALVESTON, ONE OF THE FIRST CAPITALS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, WAS NAMED FOR SPANISH GENERAL GALVEZ.. THE AUDIENCE IS ABOUT 50% HISPANIC. AFTER I TELL THE STORY MANY OF THE KIDS GET AN INCREDULOUS LOOK ON THEIR FACES. OTHERS HAVE A BIG SMILE, WHILE STILL OTHERS STAND AND LOOK AROUND, AMAZED AT THIS REVELATION.

CONCLUSION

THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT STORY THAT IS CRYING TO BE TOLD.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

I AM PLEASED TO REPORT THAT WE HAVE THE \$2,000,000 NEEDED TO PRODUCE THIS DOCUMENTARY. UNFORTUNATELY, THE FUNDS ARE STILL IN YOUR ACCOUNTS. PLEASE MAKE A DONATION OR PLEDGE TODAY.



Galvez Television Documentary Fund Pledge Card

All proceeds should be donated to the:
Texas Connection to the American Revolution Galvez Fund¹
P.O. BOX 690696
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78269

Name: _____

Organization _____

Address Street _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Amount of Pledge: \$ _____

When Pledge is Payable: _____

Signature

Date

¹ A 501 c 3 Charitable Organization Under the IRS

Categories of Gifts and Rewards For Each

<u>Honorific</u>	<u>Gift Amount</u>	<u>Reward</u>
Royal	\$500,000 or more	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7
Viscount	\$100,000 or more	2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7
Governor	\$50,000 or more	3, 4, 5, 6 & 7
Dep. Governor	\$25,000 or more	4, 5, 6 & 7
General - Regimental Commander	\$10,000 or more	4, 5 & 7
Colonel - Presidio Commander	\$7,500 or more	4, 6 & 7
Lt. Col. - Deputy Presidio Commander	\$5,000 or more	5, 6 & 7
Captain - Company Commander	\$2,500 or more	5 & 6
Lieutenant - Platoon Commander	\$1,000 or more	6 & 7
Sub- Lt. - Asst. Platoon Commander	\$500 or more	6
Sergeant Major	\$100 or more	7

Gift Codes:

- 1 Spanish sword in presentation case
- 2 Large Burgundian Flag (Imperial Flag of Spain) in case
- 3 Framed Composite image of our Documentary (similar to a motion picture poster)
- 4 Galvez Medal
- 5 Galvez Challenge Coin
- 6 Copy of Documentary on DVD
- 7 Galvez lapel pin

Thanks For Your Attention.
Time for a Few Questions

