

STATE OF MICHIGAN



HISPANIC/LATINO COMMISSION OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION HONORING

THE UNITED STATES 65TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, THE "BORINQUEENERS" FOR THEIR SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Hispanic/Latino Commission of Michigan takes great pleasure in recognizing citizens or organizations that have given of themselves in the pursuit of justice and freedom for people everywhere as members of our nation's military; and

WHEREAS, the 65th Infantry Regiment of the United States Army is being honored and recognized for its dedicated and distinguished military services; and

WHEREAS, as mandated by Congress in 1899, the 65th Infantry Regiment, hailed from Puerto Rico; was the only Hispanic-segregated unit ever in the United States Armed Forces that played a prominent role in the American military history, having participated in three wars in which the United States was engaged; World War I, World War II, and most notably, the Korean War. Additionally, the regiment was awarded two Presidential Unit Citations, two Meritorious Unit Commendations, two Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citations and the Bravery Gold Medal of Greece; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hispanic/Latino Commission of Michigan applauds and congratulates and recommend the issuance of the Congressional Gold Medal to the 65th Infantry Regiment of the United States Army for its well-deserved recognition; pays tribute to its members for enduring countless hardships, making untold sacrifices and placing themselves in harm's way to defend and protect the cause of freedom; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Hispanic/Latino Commission of Michigan asks all citizens to join in recognizing the U.S. 65th Infantry Regiment, the Borinqueneers, for their painful sacrifices, selfless service; gallantry in battle; great contributions, and steadfast loyalty for the good of the United States of America.

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Given under our hands in this 16th day of
December, in this year of the Lord Two
Thousand and Thirteen.

Gilbert Guzman, Commission Chairperson

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