Fiesta® San Antonio Commission, Inc.
THE ORDER OF THE CASCARON
2018 Nomination Form

NOMINEE INFORMATION

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On a separate sheet:

In 400 words or less, please describe the contributions that your nominee has made to Fiesta® Please include:

1) Detailed information on the volunteer role that your nominee has played in the Fiesta celebration. Give specific details on how your nominee's efforts have had an impact on the Fiesta celebration in a positive and long lasting way. Elaborate on specific volunteer duties and responsibilities nominee has undertaken.

2) The length of time that your nominee has been involved in these activities. Give specific years nominee was active in these activities.

3) If your nominee served in a specific leadership role during Fiesta, i.e., Fiesta royalty, president of a Fiesta organization, chairman of a Fiesta event, etc., indicate how their volunteer involvement has gone beyond the normal responsibilities of that role.

Please submit your Nomination form and essay by 5:00 pm on January 31, 2018 or email to:

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Maria L. Ramirez

Maria has worked closely with all of the presidents starting with Sam Bell Steves III. It was during this time that Maria and President Sam Bell Steves coordinated a floral arrangement to raffle off at each BOC meeting. Maria feels strongly that she needs to contribute to make the meetings fun, exciting and has become a new tradition at each meeting. She has done this for several Fiesta Presidents. This has been a great success and members who attend BOC meetings wait anxiously for the raffle at the end of each meeting. Now other individuals have joined in Maria's efforts to make the meetings fun and exciting by contributing gifts to be raffled.

Maria loves Fiesta and loves to present visiting dignitaries with a great "Welcome to San Antonio" experience. She wanted to provide our visitors with a "Wow" factor. She came up with the idea to have the Fiesta Poster enlarged to approximately 5 ft. by 4 ft. to be adorned with fresh flowers. She had the oversized poster displayed at the "Host Hotel" lobby. Visiting dignitaries, Fiesta visitors and the public at large began to seek out the host hotel to take pictures with the poster as the backdrop. She also has been instrumental in creating another Fiesta tradition which is to prepare flowers and gift bags for our visiting dignitaries during Fiesta. Maria also provides all of the floral décor in the host hotel and hospitality suite.

Maria supports and contributes to raising funds for Rey Feo. She provides in-kind donations for Queen of Soul Pageant; Woman's Club, Military Ambassadors and The Fiesta Commission. Maria supports many other PMOs.

Maria served as the Vice President of Lo Bello de San Antonio, which is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds for scholarships. She also served on the court for Rey Feo LX, Fernando Reyes during his reign. Maria is a current member of Military-Civilian Club and Woman's Club of San Antonio.

Maria has previous experience on other nonprofit boards outside the Fiesta Commission. She served on the Volunteer Services Council Board for the San Antonio State Hospital and was very involved in fundraising efforts. She served as a Treasurer on the Florist Transworld Delivery (FTD) board for her region.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.