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A Special Invitation

You have an opportunity to support REFORMA, the National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish-Speaking, one of the most prestigious, active, and visible national library organizations that promotes the success of Latinos/Chicanos/Hispanics. Our Third National Conference will be held in El Paso, Texas, from September 18-21, 2008.

Established in 1971 as an affiliate of the American Library Association (ALA), REFORMA has actively sought to promote the development of library collections to include Spanish-language and Latino oriented materials; the recruitment of more bilingual and bicultural library professionals and support staff; the development of library services and programs that meet the needs of the Latino community; the establishment of a national information and support network among individuals who share our goals; the education of the U.S. Latino population in regards to the availability and types of library services; and lobbying efforts to preserve existing library resource centers serving the interests of Latinos.

In addition to providing support for the conference, consider sending your employees to the conference. Attendees will be provided with a variety opportunities to exchange information and ideas as well as to participate in continuing education programs that will enhance the services provided to libraries in Chicano/Latino/Hispanic communities. As noted by the Reference and User Services Association of ALA, "Provision of library services to Hispanics can prove to be complex: nationality, regional differences, and culture provide myriad combinations for that single community. As an example, there are significant linguistic and cultural differences reflected in the varieties of Spanish spoken by Mexicans, Puerto Ricans, Cubans, and other Hispanic groups." This conference will help users provide strong and critically needed services to support the fastest growing ethnic population in the United States today.

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Muchisimas gracias (many thanks) in advance for your support!

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