



**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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Dr. McKinney,

On August 20, 2013 the UTSA Police Department lost Sgt. Hector Barrera who tragically died in a vehicle accident while he was driving to work. Needless to say many people at UTSA who knew Sgt. Barrera were shocked by this tragic event.

In the days that followed Sgt. Barrera's death, arrangements were made for his funeral and memorial services. As part of the memorial services, Sgt. Barrera's family requested a reception at UTSA in order to thank members of the UTSA community who shared in Hector's life. As we made arrangements for the reception, you very graciously offered the use of the University Center Ballroom. We truly appreciate your efforts in allowing us to hold the reception in the Ballroom. It also meant a great deal to us that you were present at the reception that Saturday.

I would also like to express my thanks and appreciation to Jan McKinney, Marietta Delarosa, Anne Jimenez, Margaret Trujillo, and Jennifer Tucker for all their assistance at the reception. I know there were also many others, including RA's and student workers, who were very kind and professional in volunteering their time to assist during the reception.

Sgt. Barrera was a highly valued member of our police family and UTSA. We will truly miss him. I cannot express enough my thanks and gratitude to you and your staff for all the assistance you provided to our department.

On behalf of the UTSA Police Department, please accept my sincerest thanks and appreciation for your kindness and support for Sgt. Barrera's family and our police department.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Barrera", is written over a horizontal line.

Steve Barrera
Chief of Police