

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

WHEREAS, Latino music has enriched Austin's cultural environment and enhanced Austin's identity as the "Live Music Capital of the World"; and

WHEREAS, festivities surrounding Cinco de Mayo have been a long held tradition in Mexican American communities; and

WHEREAS, Fiestas Patrias of Austin is a Cinco de Mayo festival currently in its third year bringing a fun, family environment to Fiesta Gardens; and

WHEREAS, the festival will feature music, a ballet folklórico showcase, arts and crafts booths, a children's carnival, bar-b-que cook-off, dance contest, car show and festival food; and

WHEREAS, Fiestas Patrias is also planning to expand its activities to include a Diez y Seis de Septiembre celebration; and

WHEREAS, Fiestas Patrias uses a portion of the proceeds of its events to provide scholarships for college-bound Hispanic youth, financial assistance for several area youth programs, donations to area schools participating in the festival, and free Thanksgiving dinners at A.B. Cantu Recreation Center; and

WHEREAS, the Austin City Council has identified Fiestas Patrias of Austin as a project to be funded through the Holly Good Neighbor Program;  
**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

The City Manager is directed to allocate money from the Holly Good Neighbor "Cultural Arts" Program to fund Fiestas Patrias activities in the amount of \$15,000.

**ADOPTED:** \_\_\_\_\_, 2009    **ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Shirley A. Gentry  
City Clerk