

CITY OF LOS ANGELES



RESOLUTION

Hablemos de Cine 30th Anniversary

WHEREAS, Hablemos de Cine (Speaking of Cinema) debuted in 1988 on Univision as a groundbreaking Spanish-language movie critic review show aimed at one of the country and the movie industry's largest demographics: the Latino audience, with Jorge Alberto Elias and Humberto Luna as the hosts in a Spanish-language "Siskel and Ebert" format; and,

WHEREAS, Hablemos de Cine was so unique in its intent with Hollywood's lack of focus or representation of Latino actors and Spanish-speaking audiences that its debut in 1988 caused a media sensation, even from mainstream English-language television, radio and print outlets; and,

WHEREAS, Hablemos de Cine also reminds us that Hollywood has a long way to go to ensure Latinos are fairly represented in roles and stories that reflect our lives, while Latinos represent 18% of the US population and 23% of the US movie-going audience, only 6.2% of speaking roles went to Latino actors in 2017; and,

WHEREAS, Hablemos de Cine has continued on throughout the last 30 years, in large part because of audience's familiarity and comfort level with Jorge Alberto Elias as the host throughout all that time, and Mr. Elias' expertise in reviewing films and sharing his opinion with an audience as the skilled professional TV personality and host that he has been in a stellar career that has spanned more than 47 years; and,

WHEREAS, Hablemos de Cine is still a treasured television mainstay that can be seen nationally on the Azteca Network, every Saturday at 2:30 p.m.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that by the adoption of this resolution, Councilmember José Huizar and the City Council of Los Angeles, do hereby honor, thank and recognize Jorge Alberto Elias and Hablemos de Cine for providing such a valuable service to the residents of Los Angeles, California and the United States for 30 years.

PRESENTED BY: 
JOSE HUIZAR Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY: 
ALL COUNCIL

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