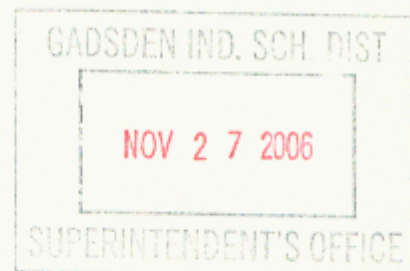




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Mr. Ron Haugen  
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Dear Mr. Haugen:

Thank you for helping us to honor Graciela Marquez on November 6, 2006 as a 2006 Milken Educator. The assembly and reception you and your staff arranged were very festive and made for an outstanding announcement. The Milken Family Foundation was very pleased with the feedback they received on the event.

Best of all, the assembly and reception spotlighted an outstanding educator and role model for the district and the state. Your generosity and well-directed efforts meant so much to her and us. Thank you for being a partner in our efforts to ensure and promote highly qualified teachers.

Truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Veronica C. Garcia".  
Veronica C. Garcia, Ed.D.  
Secretary of Education

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