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Feb. 1, 2008

Ernest Fuentes
U.S. Probation Officer
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El Paso, Texas 79901-7020

Dear Officer Fuentes,

I am writing regarding my friend Jose H. Pujol.

Jose and I were classmates at Young Harris College, Young Harris, Ga. 1945-47. We became friends mainly because he helped me with my Spanish and I helped him with his English. His school achievement was excellent as was his conduct.

Jose has returned to YHC for many Homecomings. He spoke often about wanting to help liberate Cuba, his native land. He also spoke of having worked with the U.S. Government in several roles to help.

I am not familiar with the charges against Jose, but I believe he is a legal American and wants freedom for Cuba. I would hope that his struggles for freedom would offset any action he took that was considered detrimental to the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Powell

February 18, 2008

Honorable Ernest Fuentes
U.S. Probation Officer
700 East San Antonio Avenue
El Paso, Texas 79901

Regarding Jose Pujol

Dear Sir:

Thank you for taking my call recently when I inquired as to how I might be of assistance to my friend Jose Pujol as well as my Country. I hope this letter telling you what I know of Jose, whom we call Pepin, will be of help in both those endeavors.

I first met Jose in 1947 at a small school in north Georgia called Young Harris. Jose was there with a small group of youth from Cuba. I was there as a returning U.S. Paratrooper, World War Two veteran.

I didn't see Jose again until sometime in the 1970's when he was involved with a Federal/State program designed to help Cuban fisherman, specifically lobster fisherman, who had been displaced from fishing in the Bahamas by actions of the Bahamian government. My wife at that time, Betty Wheeler Fulford, had a major responsibility for the administration of the program and she told me many times that without Jose's help, on site, it would have been an overwhelming task.

During that time Jose and I had many opportunities to "catch up" on where our lives had taken us in the intervening years. On one occasion he and I returned to Young Harris for a class reunion. On another I was able to accompany him on a visit to Turks and Caicos where we went to look into the possibility of a fishing business.

All I know about Jose's activities during the Cuban pre and post revolutionary times was what he told me in conversations we had. From what he told me and from what I learned from his friends and compatriots was that he had spent a lot of time doing very dangerous and heroic things in the service of the United States and for the welfare of his fellow Cubans.

During our short re-association I was able to see first hand, not be told, that Jose was well liked in The Miami Cuban refugee community; that he and his wife were tireless workers trying to make a place for themselves and their children in their new home, the USA. I never saw or heard anything that would lead me to believe that Jose would do anything not in the best interest of America.

I hope that this letter and the information and opinions in it will help you and the Court make a decision that will allow Jose to continue a happy, safe life as an American, a patriot and a good man.

Any other information or testimony that you might think helpful I'm prepared to give at your request.

Sincerely,

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Bob Fulford

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✓ Jose:

Here is a copy of a letter I sent today to Fuentes. I hope it helps; I wish I could do more.

Betty and I separated many years ago but I'm sending to her the packet you sent to me so that she can do something also. She now lives, a widow, in Ruskin, Florida (808 Seabreeze Dr. 813 645 2599)

After looking through all you sent me and after talking to Fuentes I'm still not sure what the fuss is about but if it is with the United States Government it must be taken seriously, especially these times.

I will call you again sometime....or you call me.....so we can catch up some more.

cc. Betty

BOB FULFORD

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WILLIAM & GLORIA DIEDERICH
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

WE MET MR JOSE PUJOL OVER 20 YEARS AGO AT AN INTERNATIONAL SEAFOOD CONFERENCE AND AT THE NATIONAL FISHERIES INSTITUTE ANNUAL CONFERENCE WHILE I WAS EMPLOYED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF PURCHASING FOR THE VAN DE KAMP FROZEN FOODS COMPANY. MY WIFE AND I ALSO TRAVELED WITH MR PUJOL ON SEVERAL POST INTERNATIONAL SEAFOOD CONFERENCE TRIPS WHICH USUALLY LASTED A COUPLE OF WEEKS AT A TIME. WE GOT TO KNOW MR PUJOL VERY WELL DURING THAT TIME.

WE HAVE FOUND MR. PUJOL TO BE HONEST, SINCERE AND LOYAL AS A FRIEND, AND HE IS PROUD TO BE A UNITED STATES CITIZEN. HIS THREE SONS ARE OF THE SAME FINE CHARACTER AS THEIR DAD. WE HAVE CONTINUED TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH MR. PUJOL ALL OF THESE YEARS AND ARE PROUD TO CALL THIS HONORABLE MAN OUR FRIEND.

SINCERELY,


WILLIAM DIEDERICH


GLORIA DIEDERICH

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January 3, 2008

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
United States Probation Office
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Dear Mr. Fuentes,

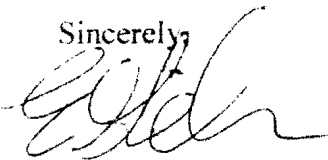
This is a letter of recommendation on behalf of my grandfather, Jose H. Pujol. My grandfather has been an extraordinary leader for our family and a great role model to his eight grandchildren. He is a strong-willed, intelligent and caring man that takes pride in being an American citizen. He has worked very hard all his life to provide for his family and serve his country.

My grandfather, Pepin as known to our family, has always been a family man. He has always and continues to provide us with the family life every child dreams of. We have grown up together and share wonderful childhood memories. He is a great person and someone I look up to dearly. He is dedicated to all that he does and holds strong morals and values.

A few years ago, his son Jose Pujol, my father, lost his battle with cancer. Our family was devastated after my father's death. Through my grandfather's support emotionally and financially we were able to overcome an unfortunate situation. Pepin is like a father to me, so when I married in 2006, there was no one more special I would rather have to give my hand in marriage.

I hope throughout this letter I was able to give you a brief description of who Jose H. Pujol is and what he stands for. Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely,



Eileen Pujol Gillen

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January 3, 2008

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
United States Probation Office
700 E. San Antonio Avenue, Suite 500
El Paso, TX 79901-7020

Dear Mr. Fuentes,

I have had the pleasure of knowing Jose H. Pujol for ten years. During these years, I have known Jose in many capacities. He is my wife's grandfather and a role model to me. He has accomplished so many things in his life, I could only hope to experience one third of the things he has seen and done. Jose has to be one of the most sincere and honest men that I know, he has great morals and values. He is a family man, always putting his family first no matter the situation. So in closing I think that if the world had a few more Jose Pujol's in it, we would be in a lot better place. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Justin Thomas Gillen

1/10/2008

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
U.S. Probation Officer
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El Paso, Texas 79901-7020

Dear Mr. Fuentes:

I am writing this letter as a character reference for my uncle, Jose H. "Pepin" Pujol. I am Marilyn Garrido, daughter of Jose Garrido and Mary Pujol Garrido. I am a high school mathematics teacher and have been teaching in Florida and Virginia for 18 years.

Pepin takes great pride in being a citizen of the United States and enjoys sharing stories of his life experiences. He continually stresses the importance of honor, respect, integrity, and the value of impeccable character and a hard day's work. Over the years Pepin has developed many friendships, both personal and professional, through sincere communications and mutual admiration. He has the innate ability to maintain and nurture these relationships throughout his life.

My uncle has always been there for the family. When his parents were getting older and needed additional support, he would always step in and help. My other aunts and uncles, as well as my parents, were struggling financially trying to raise their own families; they could not offer much help, thus Pepin would provide more than his fair share. As my godfather, he always made himself available to me whether for guidance, support, or financial aid for college.

Pepin is a very caring and genuine person and will help almost anyone in need. He sets the bar high in personal values and morals and tries to impart his knowledge to others. He is a pillar of strength and integrity. He is a man of action and a great leader who has accomplished so much in a lifetime. His principals, morals and character make him an excellent role model for any citizen.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Ernest Fuentes
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Mr. Fuentes:

Let me introduce myself, my name is Ricardo Paris and I am honored to write this recommendation letter on behalf of Mr. Jose "Pepin" Pujol.

I was born in Matanzas, Cuba on November 5th, 1958. After the Cuban Revolution, my family and I resided in Puerto Rico for approximately 15 years until my high school graduation in 1976. I attended North Carolina State University (Raleigh, North Carolina) from 1976-1980 and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering. I worked overseas for PepsiCo International from 1980-1982. After my work experience overseas, I attended University of Florida (Gainesville, Florida) from 1982-1985 and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Engineering. After my graduation from University of Florida, I started my career in computer systems and information technology. While working in my professional career during the day time, I attended night school at the American University (Washington D.C.) graduating in 1991 with a Masters Degree in Management of Information Systems. I have been working in the field of computer systems and information technology for the past twenty-two years for a variety of government and commercial projects. Currently, I am working as a consultant for the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in their modernization program.

I have known Mr. Pujol for more than forty years. I met Mr. Pujol through his friendship with my father, Luis M. Paris. Mr. Pujol and my father grew up together in Cuba and attended college in the 1940's at Young Harris College in the Appalachian Mountains of northern Georgia during their formative years and continue their schooling in Canton, Ohio while they were working in the Tinker Rolling Factory. Mr. Pujol has always been a close friend of our family, to the point that he is considered as part of my family.

Through out the years, I have always known "Pepin" as a person of high democratic principles standing against human right abuses. He has dedicated his life fighting communism and championing democratic values such as freedom of elections, commerce, religion, speech and gathering. His believes has taken him through out the world were he was able to observe and validate his principles.

Due to his life experience, I consider "Pepin" as a man of honor, integrity and courage with a sense of duty to defend his democratic idealism and principles as stated above. With his years of experience championing a "just cause" like the liberation and democratization of his beloved birth place, Cuba, he has ascended to a position of role model to the next generation of Cuban-Americans. His leadership has been proven many times over by "leading by example" rather than by talking about it. Life has taught him to live by a code of honor that rarely is observed in today's society.

The "Pepin" that I know is the man that will stand-up against injustice and face the challenges. When challenge arises, there are three types of man, those that hide, those that run, and those who stay and stand up face-to-face against those challenges. Because of his believes, his soul is intact and is not negotiable. His enemies can crush his spirit, damage his credibility, and execute his body but he is not going to sale his democratic principles because of his values such as honor, integrity, duty and love of country. That is the "Pepin" that I know.

Now, here we are in the crossroad of justice. An American Justice that we believe and respect as citizens of this country. An American Justice that guarantees a fair trial through due process in the protection of life, liberty and the American Dream. Here is a man that has stood up, through out his life, fighting the enemies of the Principles of our Constitution and serving our country. Here is a man facing the judicial process

because his believes, his dignity, his integrity, his honor. This path of principles, which is the back bone of our country, leads to "Pepin's" character. I will like to ask the court not to destroy those principles, to embrace them, to protect them.

I respectfully request to consider Mr. Jose "Pepin" Pujol historical background, democratic believes, and character before a final sentencing

Respectfully yours,

Ricardo Paris

January 14, 2008

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As a group of neighbors from Olympia Heights in Miami, Florida we are pleased to recommend to you a member of our community, Mr. Jose Pujol, and to write this letter on his behalf for his exoneration in the case presented against him before final sentencing. Jose has been more than a neighbor, a true friend and for some of us a mentor and an inspiration in our lives since moving to the area. He is one of our most active neighbors since developing and building an entire section of the area where he sold properties and built several for his own family including two of his beloved sons. To this day Jose Pujol has continued to be a great family man, a loving husband, a supportive father and grandfather and a serviceable friend to our neighborhood and our community.

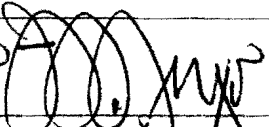
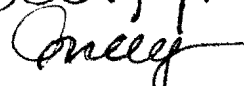

Jose Pujol is a highly professional gentleman, always concerned about the welfare of his family and friends. When hit by major hurricanes in the past he has been the first person to come and offer a helping hand, when there is a dispute he is there to offer his mediation skills. When you have a problem all you have to do is walk over to his house and have a little conversation, he will offer his advice or just lend his support, or he will entertain you with many of his life stories and life experiences. He will talk to you for hours about his native Cuba, his college years or his love for motorcycles and seafaring.


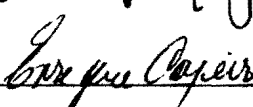
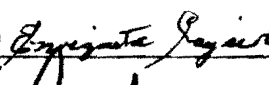
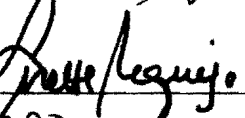


During the time we have known him, Jose has consistently demonstrated a strong work ethic and a dedication to success. His business efforts have produced high quality results time and time again. A few years ago, Jose developed and successfully implemented a plan to bring to us the 'Carnavales Santiagueros', a rendition of the original carnivals from the same city in Cuba to our community. The plan was a major undertaking and success requiring a great deal of coordination and communication with new and older organizations and business members of our community, thought and effort on Jose's behalf. He made it a reality and thousands of exile Cubans and other nationalities have attended the event thru the years bringing us wonderful memories.

Though Jose is our neighbor, he is also in an unofficial leadership role. Many of us in this community seek his advice and support. Jose is always there for us and is quite comfortable in the role. I feel his budding leadership abilities have been of tremendous help in the past in overcoming many obstacles in our exile community.

For these reasons, we highly recommend Jose Pujol and ask to exonerate and leniency on this case before final judgment. If you have any questions regarding Jose Pujol or this recommendation, please contact any of us.

Sincerely,

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December 21, 2007

Mr. Ernesto Fuentes
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El Paso, Tx 79901-7020

Re: José Pujol
No. EP-06-CR-1836

Dear Mr. Fuentes:

In connection with the above captioned matter, and as the president of the Santiago de Cuba Bowling League, I wish to write this letter of recommendation for José Pujol, one of our founding members.

As a brief background for our group, I will say that it takes its name from the town in which the great majority of our members were born in the island nation of Cuba. As a result, we all know Pepín as he is called by his friends for a great number of years. We not only meet once a week to conduct the business of our league, but we frequently see each other talking part in a variety of community projects, our families visiting, dining out, and on a number of other social undertakings.

All these activities have allowed me and all the other members to know, and profoundly appreciate Mr. Pujol for the strength of character he has shown in many opportunities, his conduct and morality which have always been beyond reproach, for his work ethics, and above all, for the love that he has for his family, and for Cuba, where he was born.

I have personally known him for more than 50 years. I admire and respect him in more ways than he may even know. I am proud to be his friend, and personally believe that a great injustice would be committed if he is punished for no other crime than loving, honoring, and for actually doing something toward the liberation of his homeland.

Finally, I am signing this letter as the president of the league, but I have also been advised by the membership that they also wish to sign it to show their solidarity and total agreement with Pepín in this, his hour of need.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSE SALVADOR CABRERA, President

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Jan 7, 2008

Mr. Ernesto Fuentes
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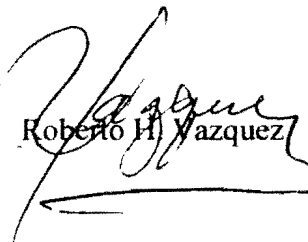
Re: Mr. Jose H. Pujol
No. EP-06-CR-1836

Dear Mr. Fuentes

Jose H. Pujol, also known as Pepin, has been a friend of mine for 60 years. Pepin has been an honest, loyal and trusting individual to me and to everyone that knows him; and I am very proud to know such a human being like himself. We were both born in the same City in Cuba, Santiago De Cuba. I also knew his entire family, parents, brothers and sisters, etc. They were a united, loving and a very respectable family. Mr. Pujol grew up loving democracy and freedom, and for these reasons he left Cuba, to give democracy and freedom to his wife and sons.

When Pepin arrived to United States he worked very hard to support his family, but never stopped to support the fight against communism. Through a lot of hard sacrifices Pepin tried very hard to accomplish getting the democracy and freedom for his country. Pepin is a true Patriot, and deserves nothing but freedom .

Sincerely,


Roberto H. Vazquez

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January 10th, 2008

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
United States Probation Officer
700 E. San Antonio Avenue, Suite 500
El Paso, Texas 79901-7020

Reference: Mr. Jose H. Pujol
EP-06-CR-1045-DB (FM)

Gentleman:

We at The Junta Patriótica Cubana, a Coordinator of 114 Cuban Exile Organizations have known Mr. Jose H. Pujol, who has devoted his life to a consistent, invariable and unbending struggle to return the democratic system of government to Cuba. Also, he is known to be a man of excellent character, a very good family man, father, hard worker, provider and has always behaved in accordance with the high values of the society in which we live.

Jose is an example for those of us that strive to lead a good life, he is a true patriot caring and giving of himself for the rich values of liberty and freedom of the people of his country of origin, Cuba. We also know he cares deeply for this great nation that has given us the opportunity to live in freedom.

Mr. Fuentes, we are asking to please be merciful with this good man, he is our friend and friend of many more people like ourselves, his family is in need of him and he is of ailing health, therefore, they need each other, and our society would be better served with him as a free man.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julio Cabarga', written over a horizontal line.

Julio Cabarga
President

JC/mer

Cc: Jose H. Pujol

Carlos E. Martinez F.
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January 16, 2008

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
U.S. Probation Officer
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Dear Mr. Fuentes,

The present is a letter of recommendation in behalf of José Hilario Pujol Soler, person that I know since he was twelve years of age, in Santiago de Cuba, when he was already a vigorous, enthusiastic student who shared our preference for sports and nautical activities.

Although I moved to Havana because of circumstances related to my naval career, I kept in contact through my relatives and friends, as well as my frequent visits to our hometown. That way, I kept informed about Pepin's development as an industrious, capable and remarkably reliable family and business man.

When our country was maliciously driven into the unfortunate and destructive political and economic process in which it still is, Pepin was a victim, as practically all Cubans. In all the related stressful situations, when many strong men hesitated, Mr. Pujol was always loyal to his principles of justice, fair play and respect for human rights. As more and more of us were, and still are, forced to leave our country, Pepin came to the United States and started anew. Again, in his new country, Mr. Pujol has been an industrious, serious, honest citizen for many years. He has proven his strong moral character once and again in his contacts with the common man, as well as officials at the highest levels. His life has been exceptionally rich in experiences as a leader and hard-working man but he has always been on the ethical side of the story. As an additional but not lesser indicator of human value, Pepin has an important legacy of regard for the needs and sufferings of his fellow man that a respectable number of them can gratefully recognize.

Sincerely,


C.E. Martinez F.

Jack T.
BRINKLEY

January 10, 2008

Hon. Ernest Fuentes
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Re: Jose H. Pujol

Dear Mr. Fuentes:

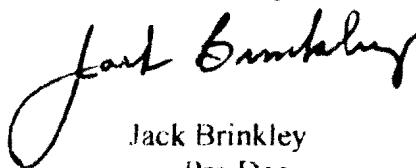
I am retired and am a trustee emeritus of Young Harris College (but do not write in that capacity) here in Georgia. During July every year we have homecoming to visit with classmates, close friends, and loved ones. The Professors for our graduation class of 1949 are all gone now, as is Coach Rushton, our basketball coach. Both Jose and I played forward on his team of 1948. Several years ago we were reunited up there and everything seemed normal and happy.

Jose sent me a copy of the Judge's order on the contempt citation, the ruling on which contained many positive findings about Jose. I know you have access to this and much more material and information, but reading that order I couldn't help but think of the biblical standard that "As the twig is bent, so grows the tree."

Please find enclosed the address of Olga Monteagudo, a classmate of ours who is of Cuban origin. I spoke to her about this. She remembers well the reunion that Jose came to and is familiar with the historical Cuban upheaval in which so many of them were displaced. Undoubtedly she knows more about that particular group than most, as she was a part of it. She is a wonderful person, an educator, as was her late husband.

With kindest regard,

Sincerely,


Jack Brinkley
Pro Deo

Miami Florida 16 de enero de 2007

**Hon. Ernest Fuentes
U. S. Probation Officer
700 E. San Antonio Avenue
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El que suscribe Luis Alexander, por este medio manifiesto que conozco desde hace mas de 10 anos el Sr. Jose (Pepin) Pujol, con el que comparto una gran amistad, de la cual me siento muy orgulloso, de poder compartir este afecto con un hombre tan honesto, trabajador y con grandes valores familiares y un caudal de virtudes que el posee y que lo hace ser reconocido como persona honesta y honorable.

Nuestra amistad comenzo a raiz de una negociacion de bienes raices y mas importante aun, es que ha sido duradera el haber podido compartir todos estas anos esta amistad, que como lo he manifestado me enorgullece.

Desafortunadamente, Pepin se encuentra en dificultades, pero estoy convencido que cualquier problema que el afrente, solo pudo haberse generado de manera involuntaria, porque pepin es una persona de buena fe, puesto que de el, no salen acciones impuras.

Es por todo esto que me atrevo a escribirle, por estar en la certeza, de que Jose (Pepin) Pujol, es una excelente persona y un hombre de bien.

Atentamente.

Luis Alexander.

DON FERNANDO FISHMARKET AND RESTAURANT, INC

Teléfono 305-2202960

12899 SW 42 STREET
Miami, Fl 33175

January 11, 2008

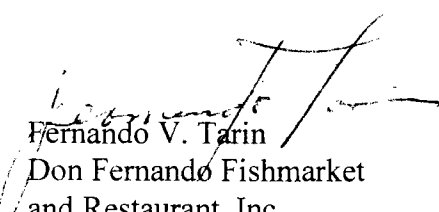
To Whom It May Concern

The undersigner, Fernando V. Tarin, owner of Don Fernando Fishmarket and Restaurant, Inc., herein declares, that since 1979, has known Mr. Jose H. Pujol, when Mr. Pujol was de owner of Flamingo Seafood. At that time, I was a client of his company for my business of sale of seafood, using my truck, door to door.

All this time, Mr. Pujol, has shown me, to be a respectful person and a decent human being.

Therefore at his request, I am signing this letter and authorize Mr. Pujol, to use it as he deems pertinent.

Sincerely,



Fernando V. Tarin
Don Fernando Fishmarket
and Restaurant, Inc.
President

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Jan 7, 2008

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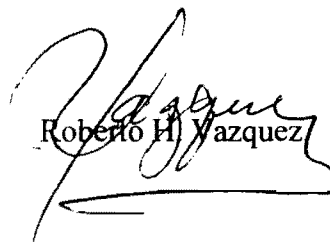
Re: Mr. Jose H. Pujol
No. EP-06-CR-1836

Dear Mr. Fuentes

Jose H. Pujol, also known as Pepin, has been a friend of mine for 60 years. Pepin has been an honest, loyal and trusting individual to me and to everyone that knows him; and I am very proud to know such a human being like himself. We were both born in the same City in Cuba, Santiago De Cuba. I also knew his entire family, parents, brothers and sisters, etc. They were a united, loving and a very respectable family. Mr. Pujol grew up loving democracy and freedom, and for these reasons he left Cuba, to give democracy and freedom to his wife and sons.

When Pepin arrived to United States he worked very hard to support his family, but never stopped to support the fight against communism. Through a lot of hard sacrifices Pepin tried very hard to accomplish getting the democracy and freedom for his country. Pepin is a true Patriot, and deserves nothing but freedom .

Sincerely,


Roberto H. Vazquez

February 18, 2008

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Feb. 1, 2008

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Dear Officer Fuentes,

I am writing regarding my friend Jose H. Pujal.

Jose and I were classmates at Young Harris College, Young Harris, Ga. 1945-47. We became friends mainly because he helped me with my Spanish and I helped him with his English. His school achievement was excellent as was his conduct.

Jose has returned to YHC for many Homecomings. He spoke often about wanting to help liberate Cuba, his native land. He also spoke of having worked with the U.S. Government in several roles to help.

I am not familiar with the charge against Jose, but I believe he is a legal American and wants freedom for Cuba. I would hope that his struggles for freedom would offset any action he took that was considered detrimental to the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Powell

May 11, 2008

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
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Re: Jose H. Pujol

Dear Sir,

I first met Jose when he came to Canton, Ohio in 1948.

Jose was quick to make close friends when he went to work at the Timken Company, where I was also employed. Our friendship increased when Jose and I went swimming at Lake Cable, where he displayed his special swimming skills that always attracted a crowd.

Jose lived in an area of Canton having a large Spanish-speaking population. He quickly make many close, respected friends.

Each Christmas holiday we would communicate by sending Christmas cards or by telephone. I am proud to have Jose as my close friend who I will never forget.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Rebellino

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Mr. Ernesto Fuentes
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February 12, 2008

RE: José H. Pujol
No. EP-CR-1836

Dear Mr. Fuentes:

I write on behalf of Mr. José H. Pujol, whom I have had the privilege of knowing for over thirty years. Over all these years I have found him to be an excellent father, husband and friend as well as a respected civic leader within our community because of his involvement in a number of civic as well as patriotic causes. I also know him for his respect and love for this country which he has served at the risk of his life in numerous occasions.

For all these reasons, I respectfully plead for your consideration of leniency in the case of Mr. José H. Pujol.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Francisco J. Hernandez". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "F".

Francisco J. Hernandez
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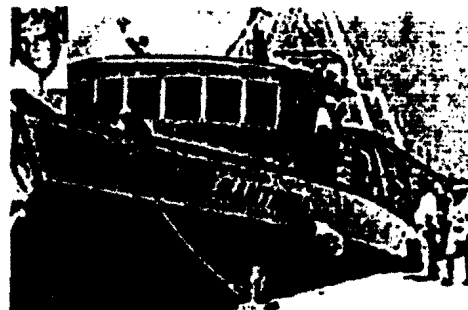
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Posada: un episodio más en la interminable mascarada

JEAN-GUY ALLARD

La interminable mascarada que rodea la causa de Luis Posada Carriles ha conocido un episodio más el pasado miércoles cuando otros dos cómplices del terrorista, asesino y torturador se han declarado culpables en Texas ante acusaciones de obstrucción a la justicia en relación con su entrada ilegal en territorio norteamericano.

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Luis Posada Carriles ha entrado en territorio estadounidense a bordo del barco camaronero Santrina —propiedad de Álvarez y registrado por una corporación "ecológica" de fachada manejada por Ernesto Abreu— a finales de marzo del 2005.

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Rubén López Castro, de 67 años, es el dueño de la casa donde estuvo Posada durante al menos seis semanas mientras se encontraba escondido en Miami, y donde fue detenido el 17 de mayo. Colaborador de la CIA,

12.19/2007

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
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This is to certify that I met **Jose H Pujol** in Cuba early in the summer of 1962 in the port of Moa, Oriente province; he was Chief of Harbor Pilot and also Superintendent Port Activities for Moa Bay Mining Company.

At that time I was Eng. in the M/V " Bahia de Matanzas, a Cuban flag cargo vessel, docked at the plant terminal, Mr. Pujol invited me to his home and a plant tour, he always was a very defined anticommunist citizen.

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At Miami, Fl. 19th of January 2008

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January 3, 2008

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
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Dear Mr. Fuentes,

This is a letter of recommendation on behalf of my grandfather, Jose H. Pujol. My grandfather has been an extraordinary leader for our family and a great role model to his eight grandchildren. He is a strong-willed, intelligent and caring man that takes pride in being an American citizen. He has worked very hard all his life to provide for his family and serve his country.

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Sincerely,

Eileen Pujol Gillen

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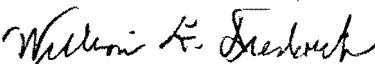
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December 27, 2007

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I, Rolando R. H. Santos, am writing this Letter of Recommendation on behalf of Jose H Pujol.

It is difficult to begin a letter that would describe years of friendship and that encompasses so many years of US and Cuban History , but I will try.

I graduated as a Chemical Engineer from the University of Oriente, Santiago de Cuba, Cuba. Some of my classmates are or were well known: Vilma and Nilsa Espin, Papito Serguera, Jorge Ibarra, I studied under Lopez Rendueles, a well known communist, and I met Juan Escalona, who was married to a classmate of my late sister Liliam. None of these acquaintances induced me towards communism; in fact to the contrary.

Upon graduation I was hired by The Texas Co, West Indies, Ltd., (Texaco) and I worked at the Santiago refinery for three years, then I resigned and I joined the Moa Bay Mining Co. as a Supervisor for the Leaching Facility. There, I met "Pepin" Pujol who was the Supervisor for the Docks.

Note: my wife Nilda Ros de Santos knew his family, since she was born in Santiago and had gone to school with some of Pepin's sisters. Also my father in Law was Roberto M. Ros, who had the Province of Oriente dealership for the Ford Motor Co. and was held in high esteem by the Ford Motor Co. And the US Consulate at Santiago.

When the Fidel Government took over the Moa Facility on April 11th. 1960. I left the plant and arrived at ht e US on April 19th, 1960 accompanied by my pregnant wife and my oldest son, (Note: My oldest son Rolando R. Santos is a graduate of the USMMA at Kings Point, now my grandson Rolando E. Santos is also attending the USMMA at Kings Point)

We re-did our lives, after working for UOP Co., the Fluor Corp., CPPSD and many others, including the Miami-Dade County Environmental Resources Management, I established my self as an Environmental Consultant.

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I became a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Florida, A Licensed General Contractor, a licensed Pollutant Systems Contractor, a Certified Electro-Finisher and finally I was accepted into the American Academy of Environmental Engineers as a Diplamate.

In my capacity as an Environmental Engineer, I met again Pepin Pujol.

I knew of his activities in Moa to de-rail foreign shipments and to make operations costly for the Fidel Government. I also knew of his activities with many exiled groups in Miami, and it was rumored of his connections to US Agencies. Finally I joined one the cuban groups in exile with him and we have been working together to establish some guidelines for the revamp of the industries in a Free Cuba.

By coincidence, we are both Republicans. I became a member of the Republican National Committee during the Reagan Years, and I will always remain a Republican, since most of the Democratic Presidents have turned over counties to communism, such as in Eastern Europe, China, Persia (Iran), Nicaragua, and others.

Pepin Pujol has been and is an unwavering fighter for democracy, at the expense of his personal fortune and numerous sacrifices. He is an example of a dedicated Cuban for the freedom and liberty of Cuba.

He deserves to be treated with respect and admiration for his long life dedicated to the high principles upon which this our new Country was founded, a true soldier for democracy.

Signed by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rolando R. H. Santos". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

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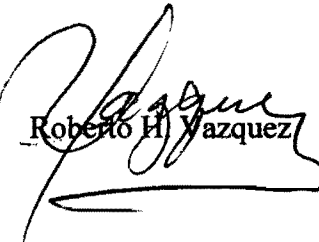
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No. EP-06-CR-1836

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Sincerely,


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January 3, 2008

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Dear Mr. Fuentes,

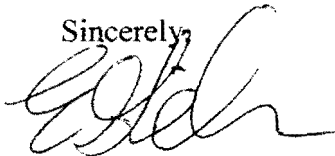
This is a letter of recommendation on behalf of my grandfather, Jose H. Pujol. My grandfather has been an extraordinary leader for our family and a great role model to his eight grandchildren. He is a strong-willed, intelligent and caring man that takes pride in being an American citizen. He has worked very hard all his life to provide for his family and serve his country.

My grandfather, Pepin as known to our family, has always been a family man. He has always and continues to provide us with the family life every child dreams of. We have grown up together and share wonderful childhood memories. He is a great person and someone I look up to dearly. He is dedicated to all that he does and holds strong morals and values.

A few years ago, his son Jose Pujol, my father, lost his battle with cancer. Our family was devastated after my father's death. Through my grandfather's support emotionally and financially we were able to overcome an unfortunate situation. Pepin is like a father to me, so when I married in 2006, there was no one more special I would rather have to give my hand in marriage.

I hope throughout this letter I was able to give you a brief description of who Jose H. Pujol is and what he stands for. Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eileen Pujol Gillen', written in a cursive style.

Eileen Pujol Gillen

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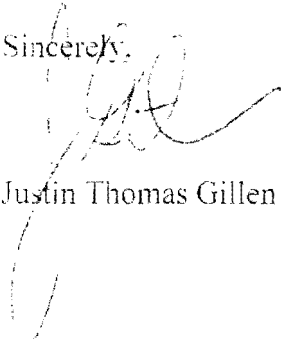
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Dear Mr. Fuentes.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Jose H. Pujol for ten years. During these years, I have known Jose in many capacities. He is my wife's grandfather and a role model to me. He has accomplished so many things in his life, I could only hope to experience one third of the things he has seen and done. Jose has to be one of the most sincere and honest men that I know, he has great morals and values. He is a family man, always putting his family first no matter the situation. So in closing I think that if the world had a few more Jose Pujol's in it, we would be in a lot better place. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Justin Thomas Gillen

1/10/2008

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
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Dear Mr. Fuentes:

I am writing this letter as a character reference for my uncle, Jose H. "Pepin" Pujol. I am Marilyn Garrido, daughter of Jose Garrido and Mary Pujol Garrido. I am a high school mathematics teacher and have been teaching in Florida and Virginia for 18 years.

Pepin takes great pride in being a citizen of the United States and enjoys sharing stories of his life experiences. He continually stresses the importance of honor, respect, integrity, and the value of impeccable character and a hard day's work. Over the years Pepin has developed many friendships, both personal and professional, through sincere communications and mutual admiration. He has the innate ability to maintain and nurture these relationships throughout his life.

My uncle has always been there for the family. When his parents were getting older and needed additional support, he would always step in and help. My other aunts and uncles, as well as my parents, were struggling financially trying to raise their own families; they could not offer much help, thus Pepin would provide more than his fair share. As my godfather, he always made himself available to me whether for guidance, support, or financial aid for college.

Pepin is a very caring and genuine person and will help almost anyone in need. He sets the bar high in personal values and morals and tries to impart his knowledge to others. He is a pillar of strength and integrity. He is a man of action and a great leader who has accomplished so much in a lifetime. His principals, morals and character make him an excellent role model for any citizen.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Ernest Fuentes
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Mr. Fuentes:

Let me introduce myself, my name is Ricardo Paris and I am honored to write this recommendation letter on behalf of Mr. Jose "Pepin" Pujol.

I was born in Matanzas, Cuba on November 5th, 1958. After the Cuban Revolution, my family and I resided in Puerto Rico for approximately 15 years until my high school graduation in 1976. I attended North Carolina State University (Raleigh, North Carolina) from 1976-1980 and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering. I worked overseas for PepsiCo International from 1980-1982. After my work experience overseas, I attended University of Florida (Gainesville, Florida) from 1982-1985 and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Engineering. After my graduation from University of Florida, I started my career in computer systems and information technology. While working in my professional career during the day time, I attended night school at the American University (Washington D.C.) graduating in 1991 with a Masters Degree in Management of Information Systems. I have been working in the field of computer systems and information technology for the past twenty-two years for a variety of government and commercial projects. Currently, I am working as a consultant for the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in their modernization program.

I have known Mr. Pujol for more than forty years. I met Mr. Pujol through his friendship with my father, Luis M. Paris. Mr. Pujol and my father grew up together in Cuba and attended college in the 1940's at Young Harris College in the Appalachian Mountains of northern Georgia during their formative years and continue their schooling in Canton, Ohio while they were working in the Tinker Rolling Factory. Mr. Pujol has always been a close friend of our family, to the point that he is considered as part of my family.

Through out the years, I have always known "Pepin" as a person of high democratic principles standing against human right abuses. He has dedicated his life fighting communism and championing democratic values such as freedom of elections, commerce, religion, speech and gathering. His believes has taken him through out the world were he was able to observe and validate his principles.

Due to his life experience, I consider "Pepin" as a man of honor, integrity and courage with a sense of duty to defend his democratic idealism and principles as stated above. With his years of experience championing a "just cause" like the liberation and democratization of his beloved birth place, Cuba, he has ascended to a position of role model to the next generation of Cuban-Americans. His leadership has been proven many times over by "leading by example" rather than by talking about it. Life has taught him to live by a code of honor that rarely is observed in today's society.

The "Pepin" that I know is the man that will stand-up against injustice and face the challenges. When challenge arises, there are three types of man, those that hide, those that run, and those who stay and stand up face-to-face against those challenges. Because of his believes, his soul is intact and is not negotiable. His enemies can crush his spirit, damage his credibility, and execute his body but he is not going to sale his democratic principles because of his values such as honor, integrity, duty and love of country. That is the "Pepin" that I know.

Now, here we are in the crossroad of justice. An American Justice that we believe and respect as citizens of this country. An American Justice that guarantees a fair trial through due process in the protection of life, liberty and the American Dream. Here is a man that has stood up, through out his life, fighting the enemies of the Principles of our Constitution and serving our country. Here is a man facing the judicial process

because his believes, his dignity, his integrity, his honor. This path of principles, which is the back bone of our country, leads to "Pepin's" character. I will like to ask the court not to destroy those principles, to embrace them, to protect them.

I respectfully request to consider Mr. Jose "Pepin" Pujol historical background, democratic believes, and character before a final sentencing

Respectfully yours,

Ricardo Paris

**Joaquin Escandon
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Miami, January 19, 2008

**Mr. Ernesto Fuentes
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700 E San Antonio Ave
El Paso, TX. 79901**

**RE: Jose H. Pujol
No. EP-CR-1836**

Dear Mr. Fuentes:

This will serve as a letter of recommendation on behalf of Jose H. Pujol. I have known him for about 50 years; I know that he has devoted his life to the fight against communism and to the cause of freedom in his homeland, Cuba.

In 1960 I was the owner of a coffee plantation in Guantanamo area, Cuba, and I was a well known person by most of the people in that area.

When I had to come to exile., In Nov 1960, I was recruited by the CIA Agency, here in Miami, and although I was allowed to return back to Cuba legally due to a 55 days permission that I been granted, in December 1960, I went to Cuba with the CIA mission to organize different groups of "campesinos" (countrymen or farmers) in order to back the programmed invasion to the island (later known as Bay of Pig Invasion) which the time was being planned. This activity was later stopped by order coming from Washington.

Although our groups operated on a compartmentalized basis I met some of the active leaders of the other groups and one of them was Jose H Pujol who operated close to some of the areas I was leading.

Due to the failure of the Bay of Pigs Invasion I returned to the U.S. via the U.S. Guantanamo Base with the help and assistance of Cmdr. Harold Feeney whom I was in contact with.

In June 1962 I was infiltrated in Cuba, following CIA plans, with a group of four men who were under my command. In that occasion I learned that Jose H. Pujol was also working in activities similar to mine but in different areas.

During all the activities above mentioned, against the Castro regimen, chief of Cmdr. Harold Feeney was the Intelligence Chief of the U.S. Guantanamo Bay Navy who had, and still does, a close relation to me. Since January 1961 Cmdr. H. Feeney knew about these special anti-Castro mission in the area, programmed by the CIA Agency for us, through the information that I regularly supplied to him.

Considering all the above mentioned, I recommend Mr. Jose H. Pujol for being an honest man, a person who carries his values very highly and for being active, like myself, in the pursuit of freedom in Cuba, and of the cause of establishing a democratic country in our Homeland and in the World.

Sincerely,


Joaquin Escandon

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WILLIAM & GLORIA DIEDERICH
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JANUARY 7, 2008

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

WE MET MR JOSE PUJOL OVER 20 YEARS AGO AT AN INTERNATIONAL SEAFOOD CONFERENCE AND AT THE NATIONAL FISHERIES INSTITUTE ANNUAL CONFERENCE WHILE I WAS EMPLOYED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF PURCHASING FOR THE VAN DE KAMP FROZEN FOODS COMPANY. MY WIFE AND I ALSO TRAVELED WITH MR PUJOL ON SEVERAL POST INTERNATIONAL SEAFOOD CONFERENCE TRIPS WHICH USUALLY LASTED A COUPLE OF WEEKS AT A TIME. WE GOT TO KNOW MR PUJOL VERY WELL DURING THAT TIME.

WE HAVE FOUND MR. PUJOL TO BE HONEST, SINCERE AND LOYAL AS A FRIEND, AND HE IS PROUD TO BE A UNITED STATES CITIZEN. HIS THREE SONS ARE OF THE SAME FINE CHARACTER AS THEIR DAD. WE HAVE CONTINUED TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH MR. PUJOL ALL OF THESE YEARS AND ARE PROUD TO CALL THIS HONORABLE MAN OUR FRIEND.

SINCERELY,


WILLIAM DIEDERICH


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December 27, 2007

Mr. Ernest Fuentes
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El Paso, Texas, 79901-7020

I, Rolando R. H. Santos, am writing this Letter of Recommendation on behalf of Jose H Pujol.

It is difficult to begin a letter that would describe years of friendship and that encompasses so many years of US and Cuban History , but I will try.

I graduated as a Chemical Engineer from the University of Oriente, Santiago de Cuba, Cuba. Some of my classmates are or were well known: Vilma and Nilsa Espin, Papito Serguera, Jorge Ibarra, I studied under Lopez Rendueles, a well known communist, and I met Juan Escalona, who was married to a classmate of my late sister Liliam. None of these acquaintances induced me towards communism; in fact to the contrary.

Upon graduation I was hired by The Texas Co, West Indies, Ltd., (Texaco) and I worked at the Santiago refinery for three years, then I resigned and I joined the Moa Bay Mining Co. as a Supervisor for the Leaching Facility. There, I met "Pepin" Pujol who was the Supervisor for the Docks.

Note: my wife Nilda Ros de Santos knew his family, since she was born in Santiago and had gone to school with some of Pepin's sisters. Also my father in Law was Roberto M. Ros, who had the Province of Oriente dealership for the Ford Motor Co. and was held in high esteem by the Ford Motor Co. And the US Consulate at Santiago.

When the Fidel Government took over the Moa Facility on April 11th. 1960. I left the plant and arrived at ht e US on April 19th, 1960 accompanied by my pregnant wife and my oldest son, (Note: My oldest son Rolando R. Santos is a graduate of the USMMA at Kings Point, now my grandson Rolando E. Santos is also attending the USMMA at Kings Point)

We re-did our lives, after working for UOP Co., the Fluor Corp., CPPSD and many others, including the Miami-Dade County Environmental Resources Management, I established my self as an Environmental Consultant.

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I became a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Florida, A Licensed General Contractor, a licensed Pollutant Systems Contractor, a Certified Electro-Finisher and finally I was accepted into the American Academy of Environmental Engineers as a Diplomate.

In my capacity as an Environmental Engineer, I met again Pepin Pujol.

I knew of his activities in Moa to de-rail foreign shipments and to make operations costly for the Fidel Government. I also knew of his activities with many exiled groups in Miami, and it was rumored of his connections to US Agencies. Finally I joined one the Cuban groups in exile with him and we have been working together to establish some guidelines for the revamp of the industries in a Free Cuba.

By coincidence, we are both Republicans. I became a member of the Republican National Committee during the Reagan Years, and I will always remain a Republican, since most of the Democratic Presidents have turned over countries to communism, such as in Eastern Europe, China, Persia (Iran), Nicaragua, and others.

Pepin Pujol has been and is an unwavering fighter for democracy, at the expense of his personal fortune and numerous sacrifices. He is an example of a dedicated Cuban for the freedom and liberty of Cuba.

He deserves to be treated with respect and admiration for his long life dedicated to the high principles upon which this our new Country was founded, a true soldier for democracy.

Signed by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rolando R. H. Santos".

Rolando R. H. Santos, PE, DEE

Jack T.
BRINKLEY

January 10, 2008

Hon. Ernest Fuentes
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Re: Jose H. Pujol

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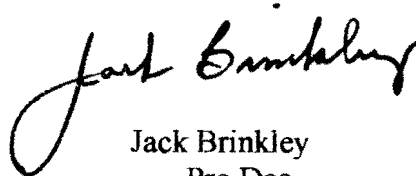
I am retired and am a trustee emeritus of Young Harris College (but do not write in that capacity) here in Georgia. During July every year we have homecoming to visit with classmates, close friends, and loved ones. The Professors for our graduation class of 1949 are all gone now, as is Coach Rushton, our basketball coach. Both Jose and I played forward on his team of 1948. Several years ago we were reunited up there and everything seemed normal and happy.

Jose sent me a copy of the Judge's order on the contempt citation, the ruling on which contained many positive findings about Jose. I know you have access to this and much more material and information, but reading that order I couldn't help but think of the biblical standard that "As the twig is bent, so grows the tree."

Please find enclosed the address of Olga Monteagudo, a classmate of ours who is of Cuban origin. I spoke to her about this. She remembers well the reunion that Jose came to and is familiar with the historical Cuban upheaval in which so many of them were displaced. Undoubtedly she knows more about that particular group than most, as she was a part of it. She is a wonderful person, an educator, as was her late husband.

With kindest regard,

Sincerely,



Jack Brinkley
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December 21, 2007

Mr. Ernesto Fuentes
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Re: José Pujol
No. EP-06-CR-1836

Dear Mr. Fuentes:

In connection with the above captioned matter, and as the president of the Santiago de Cuba Bowling League, I wish to write this letter of recommendation for José Pujol, one of our founding members.

As a brief background for our group, I will say that it takes its name from the town in which the great majority of our members were born in the island nation of Cuba. As a result, we all know Pepin as he is called by his friends for a great number of years. We not only meet once a week to conduct the business of our league, but we frequently see each other talking part in a variety of community projects, our families visiting, dining out, and on a number of other social undertakings.

All these activities have allowed me and all the other members to know, and profoundly appreciate Mr. Pujol for the strength of character he has shown in many opportunities, his conduct and morality which have always been beyond reproach, for his work ethics, and above all, for the love that he has for his family, and for Cuba, where he was born.

I have personally known him for more than 50 years. I admire and respect him in more ways than he may even know. I am proud to be his friend, and personally believe that a great injustice would be committed if he is punished for no other crime than loving, honoring, and for actually doing something toward the liberation of his homeland.

Finally, I am signing this letter as the president of the league, but I have also been advised by the membership that they also wish to sign it to show their solidarity and total agreement with Pepín in this, his hour of need.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSE SALVADOR CABRERA, President

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Jan 7, 2008

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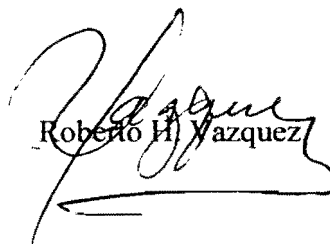
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Sincerely,


Roberto H. Vazquez

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January 10th, 2008

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Reference: Mr. Jose H. Pujol
EP-06-CR-1045-DB (FM)

Gentleman:

We at The Junta Patriótica Cubana, a Coordinator of 114 Cuban Exile Organizations have known Mr. Jose H. Pujol, who has devoted his life to a consistent, invariable and unbending struggle to return the democratic system of government to Cuba. Also, he is known to be a man of excellent character, a very good family man, father, hard worker, provider and has always behaved in accordance with the high values of the society in which we live.

Jose is an example for those of us that strive to lead a good life, he is a true patriot caring and giving of himself for the rich values of liberty and freedom of the people of his country of origin, Cuba. We also know he cares deeply for this great nation that has given us the opportunity to live in freedom.

Mr. Fuentes, we are asking to please be merciful with this good man, he is our friend and friend of many more people like ourselves, his family is in need of him and he is of ailing health, therefore, they need each other, and our society would be better served with him as a free man.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Julio Cabarga
President

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Cc: Jose H. Pujol

January 14, 2008

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As a group of neighbors from Olympia Heights in Miami, Florida we are pleased to recommend to you a member of our community, Mr. Jose Pujol, and to write this letter on his behalf for his exoneration in the case presented against him before final sentencing. Jose has been more than a neighbor, a true friend and for some of us a mentor and an inspiration in our lives since moving to the area. He is one of our most active neighbors since developing and building an entire section of the area where he sold properties and built several for his own family including two of his beloved sons. To this day Jose Pujol has continued to be a great family man, a loving husband, a supportive father and grandfather and a serviceable friend to our neighborhood and our community.

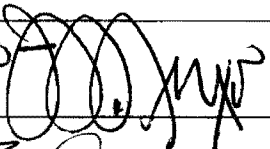
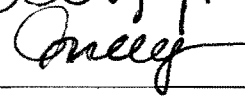

Jose Pujol is a highly professional gentleman, always concerned about the welfare of his family and friends. When hit by major hurricanes in the past he has been the first person to come and offer a helping hand, when there is a dispute he is there to offer his mediation skills. When you have a problem all you have to do is walk over to his house and have a little conversation, he will offer his advice or just lend his support, or he will entertain you with many of his life stories and life experiences. He will talk to you for hours about his native Cuba, his college years or his love for motorcycles and seafaring.

During the time we have known him, Jose has consistently demonstrated a strong work ethic and a dedication to success. His business efforts have produced high quality results time and time again. A few years ago, Jose developed and successfully implemented a plan to bring to us the 'Carnavales Santiagueros', a rendition of the original carnivals from the same city in Cuba to our community. The plan was a major undertaking and success requiring a great deal of coordination and communication with new and older organizations and business members of our community, thought and effort on Jose's behalf. He made it a reality and thousands of exile Cubans and other nationalities have attended the event thru the years bringing us wonderful memories.

Though Jose is our neighbor, he is also in an unofficial leadership role. Many of us in this community seek his advice and support. Jose is always there for us and is quite comfortable in the role. I feel his budding leadership abilities have been of tremendous help in the past in overcoming many obstacles in our exile community.

For these reasons, we highly recommend Jose Pujol and ask to exonerate and leniency on this case before final judgment. If you have any questions regarding Jose Pujol or this recommendation, please contact any of us.

Sincerely,


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Dear Mr. Fuentes,

The present is a letter of recommendation in behalf of José Hilario Pujol Soler, person that I know since he was twelve years of age, in Santiago de Cuba, when he was already a vigorous, enthusiastic student who shared our preference for sports and nautical activities.

Although I moved to Havana because of circumstances related to my naval career, I kept in contact through my relatives and friends, as well as my frequent visits to our hometown. That way, I kept informed about Pepin's development as an industrious, capable and remarkably reliable family and business man.

When our country was maliciously driven into the unfortunate and destructive political and economic process in which it still is, Pepin was a victim, as practically all Cubans. In all the related stressful situations, when many strong men hesitated, Mr. Pujol was always loyal to his principles of justice, fair play and respect for human rights. As more and more of us were, and still are, forced to leave our country, Pepin came to the United States and started anew. Again, in his new country, Mr. Pujol has been an industrious, serious, honest citizen for many years. He has proven his strong moral character once and again in his contacts with the common man, as well as officials at the highest levels. His life has been exceptionally rich in experiences as a leader and hard-working man but he has always been on the ethical side of the story. As an additional but not lesser indicator of human value, Pepin has an important legacy of regard for the needs and sufferings of his fellow man that a respectable number of them can gratefully recognize.

Sincerely,


C.E. Martínez F.

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RE: Mr. Jose Pujol

Dear Mr. Fuentes:

Please be advised that, the undersigned has known Mr. Jose Pujol for over Fifty (50) years, not only as a dear friend, but also as a client. It is so easy to dismiss friends from long ago, but Jose is not one of those persons. I strongly belief, that is one of the reasons our friendship has lasted so long.

Many words could be used to described Jose, such as honest, competent, trustworthy, very fair in his business dealings, but that is just what they would be "words". Jose is a "friends' friend", one that you know you can relay upon in good times and in hard times, and one that can always make you feel welcome in his presence.

As a business man I've known him to bear a reputation for fair dealings, and as a friend you could not do better.

Sincerely yours,



ARMANDO A. PARDILLO

AAP:mh

Miami Florida 16 de enero de 2007

**Hon. Ernest Fuentes
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El que suscribe Luis Alexander, por este medio manifiesto que conozco desde hace mas de 10 anos el Sr. Jose (Pepin) Pujol, con el que comparto una gran amistad, de la cual me siento muy orgulloso, de poder compartir este afecto con un hombre tan honesto, trabajador y con grandes valores familiares y un caudal de virtudes que el posee y que lo hace ser reconocido como persona honesta y honorable.

Nuestra amistad comenzo a raiz de una negociacion de bienes raices y mas importante aun, es que ha sido duradera el haber podido compartir todos estas anos esta amistad, que como lo he manifestado me enorgullece.

Desafortunadamente, Pepin se encuentra en dificultades, pero estoy convencido que cualquier problema que el afrente, solo pudo haberse generado de manera involuntaria, porque pepin es una persona de buena fe, puesto que de el, no salen acciones impuras.

Es por todo esto que me atrevo a escribirle, por estar en la certeza, de que Jose (Pepin) Pujol, es una excelente persona y un hombre de bien.

Atentamente.

Luis Alexander.

JAN. 28/04

CMDR. HAROLD FRENEY
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

DEAR "QUINOTE"

AS YOU ASKED ME, HERE ARE SOME INFORMATION.

STARTED IN THE RC "REX" LATER "EXPLORER II"
TRAINED THE CREWS FOR THE "FORMULAS 23" WENT
WITH THEM IN ALL OPERATIONS, CPT. LEMUEL M. STEVENS
WAS THE CASE OFFICER.

WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE "PIKE" AND "ATLAS" A
50 FEET "SWIFT" BOAT, MY CASE OFFICER WAS "RAY"
IN THE 60'S, LATER HE MOVED TO

SHADY SIDE, MARYLAND Z0867 - PH 301-867-0821
I THINK HIS LAST NAME WAS HENRIKSON, HE TRAINED
ME IN SURVIVAL IN THE "EVERGLADES", THIS BASE WAS
IN KEY WARGO, ACROSS FROM RODRIGUEZ KEY.
GRAYSTON LYNCH "LEE" TRAINED ME WITH THE COMANDOS
ALSO WAS TRAINED IN RUBBER BOAT SURFING AND SURVIVAL
IN A BASE NORTH OF CAPE CAÑAVERAL
LATER SPEND OVER A YEAR WITH THE FROGMEN IN
THE BASE "VALHALLA" NORTH OF MARATHON KEY
UNTIL PRESIDENT NIXON TERMINATED OUR
OPERATION, WE WERE ONLY 30 MEN LEFT FROM
THE PREVIOUS THOUSANDS, THOUSANDS

I HOPE THIS HELPS REFRESH YOUR MEMORY
BT I THINK YOU ARE DOING FINE BEING 85 YEARS OLD
AN 78 NOW AND FORGET MANY DETAILS

Grayston Lynch

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RETIRED U.S. ARMY CAPTAIN AND A FORMER CIA OFFICER. HE WAS WOUNDED AT NORMANDY, THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE, AND HEARTBREAK RIDGE IN KOREA; SERVED WITH SPECIAL FORCES IN LAOS; AND RECEIVED THREE PURPLE HEARTS, TWO SILVER STARS AND ONE BRONZE STAR WITH A "V" FOR VALOR, AMONG OTHER AWARDS, HE JOINED THE CIA IN 1960. FOR HIS HEROISM AT THE BAY OF PIGS, LYNCH WAS AWARDED THE INTELLIGENCE STAR, THE CIA'S MOST COUETED AWARD. IN THE SIX YEARS AFTER THE BAY OF PIGS, HE RAN COMMAND RAIDS INTO CUBA. LYNCH RETIRED FROM THE CIA IN 1971

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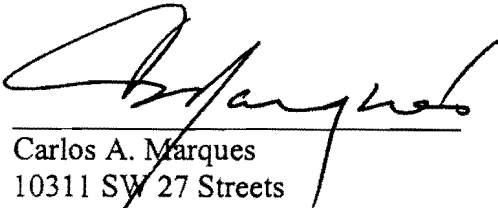
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