

Vice President Salvador Sanchez Ceren of El Salvador Hosted at Darling House of Santa Cruz

International 2013-08-22 11:04:06

Santa Cruz, CA - *Darling House*, a Democratically known *powerhouse* in Santa Cruz, California, served as the host site for statewide politicians who welcomed Vice President Salvador Sanchez Ceren of El Salvador, and was presented with a Congressional Recognition and several Proclamations.

The Democratic leadership Host Committee included Congressman Sam Farr (CA-D), Senator Bill Monning (CA-D), State Assembly member Luis Alejo (CA-D), Darrell and Karen Darling-*Darling House* Owners, among others.

"We welcome you to Santa Cruz, California," said senator Monning in his opening remarks. "And, we are honored to have you here with us as someone who shares our democratic principles and Californian values for peace and progress in El Salvador," he added.

Several recognitions were presented to Vice President Sanchez Ceren at this event, including one from Congressman Sam Farr--on travel during the event--presented via a representative. "On behalf of Congressman Farr, we thank you for being an agent for peace in your country, and for having been one of the signers of the peace accords..." read the Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition.

"Thank you for having me here with you today at *Darling House*, which is a beacon of hope and the home of Democracy for the state of California," stated Vice President Sanchez Ceren. He continued on saying that, "It is because of friends like Congressman Sam Farr, and you, that we are able to accomplish the promises we set forth in El Salvador four years ago. Promises like greater access to a free education--along with the school supplies needed for achievement, affordable health-care and medicines, and expanding opportunities for small businesses that are helping lift more Salvadorans from poverty everyday." Emotionally, The Vice President also thanked the Congressman and other democrats for their vigorous support during his country's 2008 elections, when "The courageous support of many Democrats," he declare, "...led then by Sam Farr, who stood up against a right-wing campaign of fear against us and the people of El Salvador, helped secured a victory for the people and our party. We will always be grateful to the many Americans who stood with us to bring democracy to El Salvador. May God Bless the United States of America, and may God bless El Salvador."

Darrell and Karen Darling, long-time Santa Cruz residents and owners of *Darling House*, have been steeped in California democratic politics for decades, beginning their activism during the civil rights era and opposition of the Vietnam War during the 1960's, took ranks in marches and rallies for racial equality; and, today, they stand up for immigration reform. They have become known hosts to the most prominent Democrats in California and throughout the United States. For years, they have hosted many California Democrats running for office. And, in 2008 were hosts to then-Presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton.

An ambulance was also showcased and donated to Vice President Sanchez Ceren for public emergency services use in El Salvador.

WHAT : Vice President Salvador Sanchez Ceren of El Salvador Hosted at Darling House of Santa Cruz
WHEN : 2013-08-22 11:04:06
WHERE :

CONTACT:

Jessy Mejia 301-979-1199 jpmejia1@gmail.com