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## AMA EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE ON THANKSGIVING DAY

Thanksgiving Day represents the perfect occasion for the people of Mexican origin living in the United States to give thanks for all the opportunities this country offers us. We are grateful for what we have become and accomplished, and we especially appreciate the communities where we reside.

We are also grateful for our own communities of Mexican origin. We are amenable, jovial, collaborative, creative, funny, hard-working, friendly, generous, warm-hearted, thankful, persevering, merry-makers, romantics, with unique traditions, tenacious advocates for our communities, promoters of Mexican holidays, culture, and food, and proud of where we come from, among many other things. Our roots bring us together wherever we are and allow us to feel at home anywhere.

In the US, there are over 36.6 million people of Mexican origin (11% of the total population) and we contribute about 800 billion dollars to the US GDP. Latinx GDP alone accounts for about \$2.13 trillion dollars contributed by 58.8 million people (over 18% of the US population). Latinx GDP is projected to account for 24.4% of the total US GDP growth by 2020 and it grows faster than the non-Latino GDP (between 70% and 100%).

These are some of the contributions we make to our communities to thank them for sharing with us their own values and traditions. AMA is proud to be part of the preeminent nation of immigrants the United States has always been, because #TogetherWeAreStronger.

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