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THE WHITE HOUSE Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

Mrs. Ford will receive the first "Citizen of the Americas" Award from the Hispanic Community Chest of America, Inc., Wednesday, October 13th at 2:15 p.m. in the Blue Room.

The Community Chest supports the work of Clinica Grillasca, which is operated by the Puerto Rican Cancer Association. The clinic, located in Ponce, Puerto Rico, is the major Caribbean center for research, training and treatment.

Mrs. Ford was selected for the award for her openness in advocating early detection of cancer.

Approximately 20 Hispanic leaders will attend the presentation.

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Press Coverage: Open -- pickup 2:00 p.m.