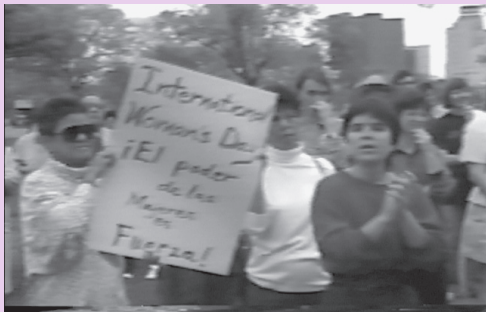


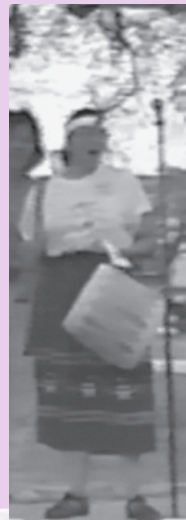


THE 1992 IWD MARCH

¡TENEMOS CORAJE, TENEMOS PODER! . . .



Margarita Elizarde (right) of ELLAS marches by a sign: IWD ¡El poder de las Mujeres es Fuerza!



Left: Lizzie Martinez holds a sign: Anita Told the Truth!

Right: Alicia López blesses the gathering and chants "Ajé" with the crowd



Beverly Sánchez-Padilla and daughter, Micaela Sánchez Díaz play Diego and Frida

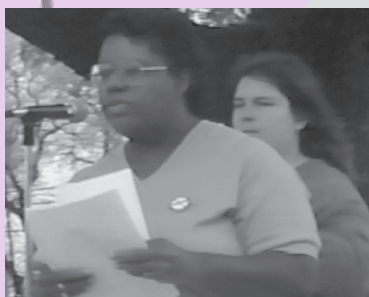
**We
have rage,
we have power!**

was the rallying cry seven years
after the first International Woman's Day

March in San Antonio. The 1992 March would begin the annual marches that have since continued. This will be the 27th year mujeres march in San Antonio. The 1992 March commemorated the 500 years of Indigenous and Popular Resistance to the myth imposed by the "discovery" of "America" in 1492. It also marked a commitment to the condemnation of colonialism and neocolonialism everywhere. It was an election year with George H. W. Bush, Bill Clinton and Ross Perot running for President. Issues then centered around health, economics and the environment. It was the right time to began a continuous resistance movement by women in San Antonio. The 1992 March was initiated by the Esperanza when Graciela Sánchez, the director, hired the first part-time staff person, Lizzie Martinez, a young San Antoniana who questioned why the IWD March had not occurred again since 1985. Graciela and Lizzie set out to contact individuals and groups that had been part of the 1985 March and an organizing committee was formed. The rest is now part of Esperanza's and San Antonio's history. IWD Organizing Committees with groups like Fuerza Unida, the P.E.A.C.E. Initiative, Martinez Women's Center and many more have continued to come together with new people every year. Now the Marches are coordinated by the MujeresMarcharán group. This year, the March will take place on March 4th. More than ever, the IWD March requires your presence and persistence. See www.sawomenwillmarch.org.

We start to march. There is electricity in the air. We feel our numbers. But when I turn around at the end of a block, only then do I see us all...a long powerful river of women, men and children. Flags waving, fists raised—we will never go back!

—Lizzie Martinez, *What Happened on International Woman's Day*, April, 1992, La Voz de Esperanza



Lillian Stevens talks on the importance of bridging gaps between women



Fuerza Unida marches behind the *Tenemos Poder* sign with their banner, *Solidarity*



Tish Hinojosa, native to San Antonio's westside, sings as the IWD rally ends.