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**Individual Website**

**The Delano Grape Strike**

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I was originally going to do the Civil Rights Movement, but one of my friends gave me an option about The Delano Grape Strike. I've never heard about this movement, so I decided to do my Nation History Day assignments on it. At first I wasn't so sure about the topic, but after more research I started to like my topic more. I am actually happy that I ended up choosing a topic that isn't as common as others. Since this year's topic is communication my topic relates to the Mexican Americans and Filipino Americans coming together and uniting.

I conducted my research by going to trusted primary and secondary sources and reading what occurred. What also helped me with my research was the assignments my history teacher gave. With those assignments I was able to gather enough information to build up my website with no problem. I created my project with the NHDWebCentral in order to get the website. I started on Thursday the 7th of January, but didn't do much since I was very confused by the editing. I returned the next day, Friday, and played around with the editing. It still took me like 2 hours to finally find the method of editing, and I made my home page in like 20 minutes. On Saturday I created the Thesis Statement page and the Cause page. On Sunday I finished the rest, the Solution Page, Legacy Page, and Research Page.

My historical argument is that communication was a major play in The Delano Grape Strike. If Cesar Chavez didn't take over the strike and someone else did, would the ending still be the same, or will there be change? Some ways that my topic is significant in history is that it was one of the first strikes to go against a farm owner. This strike became nationwide and many cities and states participated in a similar movement. Many saw that the working conditions and paying wage was unfair and people knew that no person can suitably live with getting paid below minimum wage. Another thing that is significant is that 2 totally different groups of people came

together to solve this problem. The Mexicans and Filipinos worked together so that their people who work in the grape farms wouldn't suffer any more. Some of the people who participated in the strikes worked as grape pickers and they really had pride since they had no other place to work at. Overall this is a very unique movement, it involves two different ethnicities coming together and forming a group to be called United Farm Workers to make things right between the farm workers.