

# Xinachtli Luna Hernandez

## CHICANO MOVEMENT PRISONER

*imprisoned since 1996*



**Xinachtli (Alvaro) Luna Hernandez** is a revolutionary in the Chicano movement. He is serving 50 years in prison for “aggravated assault,” stemming from a July 1996 incident in which he disarmed a County Sheriff who was attempting to shoot him. Xinachtli vehemently denies the charge. To Mexican-Americans in the Southwest he is a civil rights hero, a Chicano freedom fighter true to his barrio roots and eternally fearless in the face of injustice. Amnesty movements and human rights lawyers have internationally recognized him as a U.S. political prisoner, yet inside the United States his name remains largely unspoken. Xinachtli is a prolific writer, putting out statements of solidarity and writing on issues relevant to the revolutionary struggle he works so hard to be a part of even while locked up. He has organized multiple strikes behind bars, and has been in solitary confinement for 14 years and counting.

*“There is no way out of these nightmarish conditions but through revolutionary class struggle and resistance and to replace this illegitimate political system. History must be our teacher, our leader. Future generations will disown and condemn our generation if we fail to act now!”*

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