

Acknowledgments

Producing a new edition of a book this big on a country as diverse as Mexico—a task that now includes integrating the last two extremely consequential decades—necessarily incurs many debts. We are grateful to the many friends and colleagues—*mexicólogos todos*—who have shared their ideas, enthusiasm, and favorite selections with us over the long haul, and taught us a great deal about Mexico in the bargain. We are particularly indebted to those in the new cycle who helped us identify and edit selections, wrote new pieces, customized previous essays, advised on headnotes and captions, or contributed photographs and other graphics: David Brooks, Jürgen Buchenau, Andrés Bustamante Agudelo, Gabriela Cano, the Chiapas Midwives Movement of Nich Ixim (Maize Flower), Ted Cohen, Wayne Cornelius, Ray Craib, Denise Dresser, Israel Elizalde Méndez, Marcela García, Laura Lewis, John Mraz, Karren Pell, Julia Preston, Jeff Rubin, Jan Rus, Andrew Sackett, Gabriela Soto Laveaga, Monique Flores Ulysses, Mark Weisbrot, and Heather Williams.

We are also grateful to series coeditor Orin Starn and to Gabriela Soto Laveaga, who consulted with us on the new edition's selections and made many insightful suggestions about new areas of emphasis and particular readings. Gabriela's assistance in directing us to new writings on Mexican science and indigenous medicine was particularly helpful. Ted Cohen provided equally welcome advice on key sources on Afro-Mexican identity and recent political mobilizations.

Others provided invaluable research and administrative support. At Duke University Press, Whitney Wingate hunted for appropriate graphics in published sources and online; Peter Delgobbo ably translated several selections, tracked down permissions, and skillfully negotiated licensing fees; and Adhy Dong-Hyun Kim, Robert Tate, and Joseph Ren assisted Peter in a variety of other tasks that were indispensable in preparing a behemoth of a manuscript for production. Jacqueline Ly ably produced the volume's index.

We also again want to acknowledge the timely financial and research support from several university departments that enabled us to launch the original edition of *The Mexico Reader* in the early 2000s: the Joint Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Illinois–Champaign and the University of Chicago, the Inter-Library Loan Department of Auburn University at

Montgomery, and the MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies and the Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies at Yale University.

Finally, we are especially grateful to three gifted and generous colleagues at Duke University Press. The late Valerie Millholland, for decades the press's beloved senior editor for Latin American studies, invited us to prepare the first edition and did much to facilitate its timely completion. Gisela Fosado, Valerie's dynamic successor as curator of Duke's Latin American list and now the press's editorial director, arranged for the funds and staff support that enabled us to think boldly about the second edition. Last but hardly least, we express enormous gratitude to Miriam Angress, the senior editor assigned to Duke's World Readers series, who was indispensable in managing challenges and glimpsing opportunities, and who made our work more efficient and rewarding at every turn.