

March 22, 2017

Hon. Lamar Alexander, Chairman  
Senate Committee on Health, Education,  
Labor & Pensions  
428 Senate Dirksen Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Hon. Patty Murray, Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Health, Education,  
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Dear Chairman Alexander and Ranking Member Murray:

The Hispanic Leadership Fund, a non-partisan advocacy organization dedicated to strengthening working families by promoting common-sense public policy solutions that foster individual liberty, opportunity, and prosperity, writes to express our support to confirm Mr. Alexander Acosta for Secretary of Labor.

Mr. Acosta is a highly-respected attorney who will fight to expand opportunities for every working class American. As the child of parents who immigrated to the U.S. from Cuba, Mr. Acosta has an impressive professional record in both the public and private sectors. Currently he is the dean of the Florida International University Law School.

Mr. Acosta also served in three presidentially-appointed, senate-confirmed positions including the National Labor Relations Board, where he participated in or authored more than 125 opinions. He was the first Hispanic to hold the rank of Assistant Attorney General and worked as a U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Florida where he prosecuted several prominent defendants, including Jack Abramoff, Jose Padilla, and Charles "Chuckie" Taylor Jr.

We have faith that Mr. Acosta's confirmation as Secretary of Labor will help strengthen the direction of the department, as well as the spirit of entrepreneurs and workforce. He will be a committed advocate for entrepreneurship and promote the right policies that will give Americans the chance to prosper and live the American dream. We respectfully urge the committee to take our statement into consideration and vote to confirm Alexander Acosta as Secretary of Labor.

Sincerely,



Mario H. Lopez  
*President*