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WASHINGTON, DC –The National President of the Hispanic National Bar Association, Pedro J. Torres-Díaz, released the following statement after President Donald Trump announced his nomination of Florida International University Law Dean Alexander Acosta to be U.S. Secretary of Labor.

“Congratulations to Dean Acosta for his nomination to lead the U.S. Department of Labor,” said HNBA National President Torres-Díaz. “As dean of one of the most diverse and successful law schools in the nation, Mr. Acosta understands that our nation’s diversity is our strength. The HNBA has previously recognized Dean Acosta’s work to ensure all Americans regardless of race, ethnicity, or background are free to exercise their legal and constitutional rights.”

“Today’s nomination demonstrates that diversity does not come at the expense of highly skilled and experienced candidates for this presidential cabinet. The nomination of the son of Cuban immigrants, with a demonstrated commitment to public service and our nation, is just one example of qualified and diverse individuals around the nation that will not only help lead the government but also better reflect the citizens it serves. We commend and urge this Administration to continue to recruit from the pool of diverse talent as it fills the remaining posts.”

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About the Hispanic National Bar Association

The Hispanic National Bar Association is an incorporated, not-for-profit, national membership association that represents the interests of Hispanic attorneys, judges, law professors, legal assistants, law students, and legal professionals in the United States and its territories. Since 1972, the HNBA has acted as a force for positive change within the legal profession by creating opportunities for Hispanic lawyers and by helping generations of lawyers to succeed.

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