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WASHINGTON, Feb. 16—International Franchise Association President & CEO Robert Cresanti released the below statement of support following the nomination of Alexander Acosta as the nominee for Secretary of Labor by President Trump:

“Franchise owners around the country are facing a great deal of regulatory uncertainty as a result of the wreckage created by the previous administration’s out-of-control Department of Labor. Mr. Acosta’s exemplary record handling labor issues as a member of the NLRB has shown the appropriate balance needed to protect the interests of employees and employers. Given he has been confirmed with bipartisan support by the U.S. Senate three times, we are hopeful that there will be bipartisan support for his nomination in the U.S. Senate, so a new Labor Secretary can address the regulatory issues facing the franchise model as quickly as possible.”

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About the International Franchise Association

Celebrating 56 years of excellence, education and advocacy, the International Franchise Association is the world’s oldest and largest organization representing franchising worldwide. IFA works through its government relations and public policy, media relations and educational programs to protect, enhance and promote franchising and the more than **733,000** franchise establishments that support nearly 7.6 million direct jobs, \$674.3 billion of economic output for the U.S. economy and 2.5 percent of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP). IFA members include franchise companies in over 300 different business format categories, individual franchisees and companies that support the industry in marketing, law, **technology** and business development.

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