

CHCI Announces New 2015-2016 Board Members and Advisory Council

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WASHINGTON, D.C – The Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (CHCI) today announced its new officers and members elected to its board of directors and advisory council for the 2015-2016 term. Rep. Linda Sánchez of California will chair its board of directors. Sánchez was unanimously selected to lead CHCI for the next two years as the organization experiences continued growth in carrying out its mission to develop the next generation of Latino leaders.

“CHCI has a long history of impacting the Latino community and preparing America’s future leaders,” said Rep. Sánchez. “I look forward to continuing the growth led by Rep. Rubén Hinojosa and the many great chairs before him, and working with all of our dedicated board and advisory council members to lead CHCI forward over the next two years.”

Rep. Sánchez first joined CHCI’s board of directors in 2003 and has been actively involved in the organization’s mission and activities over the past decade. She has hosted four CHCI fellows and 11 Congressional interns in her Capitol Hill office, providing invaluable work experience and access to the federal government. She has also participated in CHCI’s annual Public Policy Conference, hosting sessions that address critical issues for the Latino community in support of CHCI’s mission.

“We could not be more pleased that Rep. Sánchez will be leading the organization for the next two years,” said Esther Aguilera, CHCI President & CEO. “Her commitment to education and opportunities for our youth is well documented and her passion for the Hispanic community reflects the type of leadership we need to continue impacting Latino youth for years to come.”

The 2015-2016 CHCI Officers:

Chair Rep. Linda Sánchez,

Vice Chair Ms. Cristina Antelo, Podesta Group

Treasurer Mr. Luis Campillo, Ibarra Strategy Group and President of CHCI Alumni Assn.

Secretary Mr. Lupe De La Cruz, PepsiCo

The CHCI 2015-2016 Board of Directors (New members underlined)

Ms. Cristina Antelo, Podesta Group

Mr. Rudy Beserra, The Coca-Cola Company

Mr. Luis Campillo, Ibarra Strategy Group and President of CHCI Alumni Assn.

Rep. Joaquin Castro

Ms. Lorraine Cortez-Vazquez, AARP

Mr. Lupe De La Cruz, PepsiCo

Ms. Lily Eskelsen Garcia, NEA

Dr. Mildred Garcia, CSU, Fullerton

Mr. Bert Gomez, Univision

Ms. Esther Lopez, UFCW

Mr. Ed Loya, Dell

Mr. Mario Lozoya, Toyota

Rep. Michelle Lujan-Grisham

Ms. Lidia Martinez, Southwest Airlines

Mr. Juan Otero, Comcast Corporation

Mr. Javier Rey, State Farm®

Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard

Rep. Raul Ruiz

Ms. Rocio Saenz, SEIU

Ms. J. Wendy Thompson-Marquez,
EVS Communications

Rep. Norma Torres

Mr. Gilbert Valdez, New York Life

Rep. Juan Vargas

Rep. Filemon Vela

Ms. Esther Aguilera, CHCI President & CEO
(ex officio)

Ms. Anne Marie Estevez, General Counsel (ex officio)

CHCI also welcomes the following newly-elected members to its 2015-2016 Advisory Council:

Rep.-Elect Pete Aguilar

Ms. Silvia Aldana, PG&E

Ms. Anna Michelle Bobadilla, UT-Arlington

Mr. Jed N. Bhuta, General Motors Company

Ms. Jackie Cisneros, The Gilbert & Jacki Cisneros Foundation

Mr. Max Espinoza, Scholarship America

Ms. Micaela Fernandez Allen, Walmart

Mr. Louis Finkel, American Petroleum Institute

Rep.-Elect Ruben Gallego

Dr. Meriah Heredia-Griego, UNM

Rep. Rubén Hinojosa

Mr. Raul Magdaleno, IDQ Group, Inc.

Mr. Keith McCoy, ExxonMobil

Mr. Tony C. Moya, Salt River Project

Rep. Pedro Pierluisi

Ms. Deanna Rodriguez, Entergy

Ms. Ivette Rodriguez, AEM

Ms. Ermelina Ruiz Moretti, Chevron

Rep. Albio Sires

Ms. Walter Ulloa, Entravision

Ms. Andrea Zuniga, AFL-CIO

About CHCI

CHCI is the premier Hispanic nonprofit and nonpartisan 501(c)(3) leadership development organization in the country that educates, empowers, and connects Latino youth by providing leadership development programs and educational services. CHCI directly impacts the lives of more than 1,600 students and young professionals each year through its fellowships, congressional internships, scholarships, Ready to Lead (R2L®) college readiness program, and R2L NextGen program.

The CHCI Board of Directors is comprised of Hispanic members of Congress, nonprofit, union and corporate leaders. Visit www.chci.org, or join us on Facebook, Twitter(@chci) , LinkedIn, and YouTube.

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