## NHLA National Hispanic Leadership Agenda

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President-elect Joe Biden Office of the President-elect Washington, D.C.

Dear President-elect Biden,

The National Hispanic Leadership Agenda (NHLA) is a premier coalition of over 40 leading national Hispanic civil rights and public policy organizations. Collectively, NHLA leads the advocacy behind the pressing civil rights and policy issues, impacting the 60 million Latinos living in the United States. NHLA strives to increase Latino visibility and leverages its efforts to build a stronger Latino influence in our country's affairs. Therefore, it is our pleasure to recommend Miguel Bustos for the Director of the Peace Corps.

Miguel Bustos's entire life has been dedicated to the service of others. From working in the soup kitchen with Mother Teresa and her sisters in San Francisco to engaging a global workforce to make a difference throughout the Americas. Bustos has always found a way to promote empathy and peace through service for others.

For over 25 years, Bustos has worked with diverse national and international stakeholders. His career has enabled him to travel throughout the Americas, Asia, and Africa, promoting global partnerships and peace while engaging stakeholders across multiple sectors in empathy and understanding to improve people's lives. Bustos has had various roles in the corporate, community development, philanthropic, and government sectors.

As Director for the Center for Social Justice at GLIDE, Bustos established the GLIDE Global Fellows program with IREX International in Washington, D.C. He also manages nearly 14,000 volunteers that come to GLIDE from around the world for transformational volunteer and service-learning experiences. He has also partnered with the School of International Service at American University on an educational program promoting empathy and understanding for global organizations.

During the Biden-Harris campaign, he co-led the Biden for President LGBTQ+ Global Policy Subcommittee. Bustos leveraged his deep interest and experience in peace and understanding that has guided his personal, academic, philanthropic, and professional endeavors.

Bustos's resume demonstrates how his experiences and academic credentials align in areas of international understanding, partnerships, and peace.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please have your staff contact NHLA Chair Thomas A. Saenz, MALDEF, at <u>tsaenz@maldef.org</u>; Co-Chair of the NHLA Economic Empowerment and Labor Committee Bruce Goldstein, Farmworker Justice, at <u>bgoldstein@farmworkerjustice.org</u>; or Co-Chair of the NHLA LGBTQ Task Force and the

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