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MANA Congratulates the National Hispanic Leadership Agenda for Setting Environment as a Priority

Washington, DC (February 25, 2016) – The addition of environment by the National Hispanic Leadership Agenda (NHHLA) in today’s release of the 2016 Hispanic Public Policy Agenda is a significant indicator of where the Latino community stands on this issue. The National Hispanic Leadership Agenda is a coalition of the 40 major national Hispanic organizations and the agenda will guide the priorities and goals of the community for the next four years. The MANA mission is to empower Latina women, youth and families on the issues that impact our communities and we believe that protecting our climate is an integral part in that.

“As a member of NHHLA, we are thrilled that our colleagues join us in seeing environment as a priority and the recognition of its intersectionality with so many other issues. In many of these cases, Latinas are even more vulnerable to climate change and other environmental impacts because they face social, economic and political barriers that limit their capacity to prosper. Our children are also more likely to suffer from asthma and live in cities where air quality doesn’t meet EPA standards for clean air,” said Amy Hinojosa, MANA President and CEO. “It’s time that we recognize that the environment is an important issue for Latinos and that actions must be taken to protect our communities.”

Founded in 1974, MANA, A National Latina Organization® (MANA) is a national grassroots membership organization with chapters, individual members and affiliates across the country. MANA represents the interests of Latina women, youth and families on issues that impact our communities. MANA contributes the leading Latina voice on many of the major issues in the public sphere, particularly in the areas of education, health and well-being, financial literacy, equal and civil rights, and immigration reform.

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