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**Statement of Terence M. O'Sullivan,
General President of LIUNA,
On the Expected Nomination of Congresswoman Hilda L. Solis as Labor Secretary**

Washington, D.C. (December 18, 2008) – LIUNA and its members would be delighted to see Congresswoman Hilda L. Solis as Secretary of Labor. She has long been a champion of working men and women and the issues that matter most to them. As a legislator in California, she stood up for fairness and led the effort to raise the minimum wage. As a Congresswoman, she had the vision to provide workforce training for the green jobs that will build America for the future. As a Latina, Congresswoman Solis continues to break ground and now she will be part of a new generation of voices for working people. LIUNA and the men and women who build America applaud the expected selection of Congresswoman Solis as Labor Secretary and look forward to working closely with her in the fight for good, safe and fair jobs.

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