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GREENLATINOS ANNOUNCES EXPANSION OF ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WASHINGTON, DC – Today, GreenLatinos announced an expansion of its Board of Directors with the addition of Jennifer Allen – Vice President of the League of Conservation Voters, Robert García – Founding Director & Counsel for the City Project, and Larry Gonzalez – Principal at The Raben Group. Jennifer, Robert, and Larry will participate in providing the long-term strategic leadership to further advance GreenLatinos’ mission, vision, and priorities.

GreenLatinos’ **President & CEO, Mark Magaña** issued the following statement: “GreenLatinos is elated to add the leadership, vision, and experience that Jennifer, Larry and Robert bring to our organization. They each reflect the expansive breadth of knowledge and diversity, professionally, geographically, and experientially that is represented amongst our membership. With their important guidance on our board, GreenLatinos will continue to grow its capacity to impact environmental and conservation policy on behalf of Latino communities across the country, and continue to create venues for collaboration by stakeholders that are effectively opening the doors for greater engagement by and with Latino communities on important issues affecting our environment and public health.”

Jennifer Allen said on joining the board: “I am honored to join the GreenLatinos Board of Directors. All across the country, Latino families and leaders are champions for environmental and climate justice and protecting the places we hold dear. GreenLatinos plays an essential role in amplifying this growing movement and providing a space for Latino environmental advocates to connect with one another. I’m excited for the opportunity to be part of the growth and future of GreenLatinos.”

Robert Garcia added: “I’m thrilled to join the GreenLatinos Board. Under Mark’s leadership, the GreenLatinos team is the leading voice on environmental quality and environmental justice for all in the nation. Our priorities are climate justice, equal justice, park lands, solar and renewable energy, ocean protection, and coastal access. These commitments reflect the values of Latinos in the U.S. and abroad. People of color and low income communities are at a greater risk of environmental harms, disproportionately lack environmental benefits, pay a larger cost, and are more willing to take action on equal justice for all. GreenLatinos leads the way.”

Asked about board service, **Larry Gonzalez** stated: “It’s no secret that Latinos care deeply about the environment in which they live and raise their children and GreenLatinos is a growing credible voice in representing the Latino community in the most important environmental policy debates of the day. I’m honored to be joining such talent on the Board of Directors as we set the foundation for the future of the organization.”

More information on members of the GreenLatinos Board of Directors can be found at: www.greenlatinos.org/about_us

GreenLatinos, is a national non-profit organization that convenes a broad coalition of Latino leaders committed to addressing national, regional and local environmental, natural resources and conservation issues that significantly affect the health and welfare of the Latino community in the United States. GreenLatinos provides an inclusive table at which its members establish collaborative partnerships and networks to improve the environment; protect and promote conservation of land and other natural resources; amplify the voices of minority, low-income and tribal communities; and train, mentor, and promote the current and future generations of Latino environmental leaders for the benefit of the Latino community and beyond. GreenLatinos develops and advocates for policies and programs to advance this mission.