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Media Advisory: Immigrant Construction Workers Allege Rampant Wage Theft and Gender Discrimination at SkyHouse Denver and Similar Construction Projects Nationwide

Denver, CO Low-wage and immigrant construction workers routinely deprived of earned wages in America's fastest-growing cities seek to recover unpaid wages and overtime premiums, as well as damages for the pervasive sex discrimination suffered by female workers.

WHAT: Press conference comprised of complainants and their attorneys, who are filing a complaint in the United States District Court for the District of Colorado for routine exploitation of the workers who make Denver's construction-boom possible.

WHEN: Thursday June 2, 2016 at 4pm

WHERE: In front of the SkyHouse Denver Construction Project on the Corner of Broadway and 17th Avenue, Denver, CO 80203 (conference on Broadway across the street from the Brown Palace)

WHO:

Violeta Solis, **former construction worker and lead complainant**, who did not receive compensation for all of the hours she worked, did not receive overtime premiums for hours worked in excess of 40 hours per week, and suffered sex discrimination that resulted in her being paid less than her male counterparts while performing harder and more dangerous work.

Other workers who were not paid the wages owed to them even though they often worked every single day, including weekends. Many workers also were victims of discrimination and other forms of harsh and unfair treatment.

Nina DiSalvo, Executive Director, **Towards Justice**, a legal services nonprofit that specializes in recovering unpaid wages for workers and addressing systemic injustices in the labor market
Sarah Parady, Attorney at Lowrey Parady, LLC, a civil rights law firm representing the workers

VISUALS: Current and former workers responsible for installing drywall in residential and commercial real estate projects, attorneys, union leaders, advocates, and community members carrying signs and banners outside of the SkyHouse Denver construction project.