



Latino Economic Development Center

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Dear Chair Champion and Members of the Jobs Committee,

I am writing to express my deep gratitude and strong support for the inclusion of the Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC) in the Senate Jobs Omnibus bill. This investment is not only a recognition of the vital contributions of Latino entrepreneurs and workers across our state, but also a strategic and forward-thinking step toward building a more inclusive, dynamic, and resilient Minnesota economy.

The LEDC has long served as a powerful engine for job creation, business development, and community empowerment. By providing support, technical assistance, and access to capital for Latino-owned businesses, LEDC is helping to unlock the full potential of communities across the state. This inclusion in the Senate's economic priorities is a recognition of proven impact.

Support for the LEDC means more than just funding—it means new jobs, stronger neighborhoods, and the growth of locally-owned businesses that reinvest in our communities. It means helping families build generational wealth, revitalizing commercial corridors, and supporting innovative entrepreneurs who reflect the rich diversity of our state.

This investment will undoubtedly have positive ripple effects on Minnesota's economy. When we empower entrepreneurs from all backgrounds, we tap into new ideas, expand our tax base, and build a workforce that reflects our shared values of opportunity and prosperity.

Thank you again for your vision and leadership in supporting the Latino Economic Development Center through this bill.

Sincerely,

Alma Flores
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