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NALCAB Expands its Diversity and Reach with Addition of New Board Members

Influential Latina leaders serve key Hispanic markets in DC, North Carolina and Florida

(SAN ANTONIO, TX) – The National Association for Latino Community Asset Builders (NALCAB) is pleased to announce the appointment of three distinguished Latino leaders to its Board of Directors. The introduction of the new board members follows NALCAB's commitment to fostering diverse perspectives and strategic leadership within its organization. As the hub of a national network of 200+ nonprofits, NALCAB empowers Latino-led community development organizations to drive sustainable growth, create affordable housing, support entrepreneurship, and promote financial inclusion.

NALCAB's New Board Members include::

- Duanne Andrade Executive Director, <u>Solar and Energy Loan Fund (SELF)</u>- Fort Pierce, FL Andrade brings a wealth of experience in social and environmental justice issues, having held leadership positions in financial institutions and consulting roles focused on sustainability and clean energy finance models. With a background in political science and economics, and an MBA from Harvard International Institute for Development, Andrade's expertise will be invaluable in furthering NALCAB's mission.
- Vicky Garcia CEO, <u>Latino Community Credit Union (LCCU)</u> Durham, NC Garcia's career spans extensive experience in coordinating and managing risk analysis, operations, and strategic initiatives. With a background in industrial engineering and an MBA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Vicky's leadership at LCCU has been instrumental in driving the organization's growth and impact within Latino communities.
- Emi Reyes CEO, <u>Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC)</u> Washington, DC Reyes' career reflects a commitment to entrepreneurship and small business development. From co-founding a student farm to spearheading Chipotle Mexican Grill's expansion strategy, Emi has demonstrated strategic leadership and a passion for community empowerment. As CEO of LEDC, Emi continues to drive transformative change and growth, championing the economic advancement of Latino communities.

Additional Board Members Include:

- <u>Mileyka Burgos-Flores</u>, CEO The Allapattah Collaborative CDC
- Luis Granados, CEO Mission Economic Development Agency (MEDA)
- <u>Henry Jimenez</u>, President and CEO Propel Nonprofits
- Fernando Lemos, Executive Director Mi Casa, Inc.
- Shelly Marquez (Vice Chair), President Mercy Housing Mountain Plains
- Lindsey Navarro, Executive Director El Centro
- <u>Pedro Ramos</u> (Treasurer), Senior Vice President Jefferies LLC
- <u>Raul Raymundo</u> (Chair), CEO The Resurrection Project
- <u>Rafael Torres</u> (Secretary), Executive Director Azteca Economic Development & Preservation Corporation
- <u>Pedro Zamora</u>, Executive Director Hispanic Economic Development Center

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About NALCAB

The National Association for Latino Community Asset Builders (NALCAB) is the hub of a national network of 200+ member nonprofits that are anchor institutions in geographically and ethnically diverse Latino communities in 46 states, Washington DC and Puerto Rico. NALCAB supports its member institutions through funding, training, research and advocacy, enabling them to invest in their communities by building affordable housing, ensuring equitable neighborhood development, supporting small business growth, and providing financial counseling on issues including credit building and homeownership. As a grantmaker and US Treasury-certified CDFI lender with offices in San Antonio and Washington DC, NALCAB serves hundreds of thousands of low- and moderate-income people, advancing economic equity and inclusivity.