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**NATIONAL HISPANA LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE CONVENES HUNDREDS
DURING ITS 2011 NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN LOS ANGELES**

*The Executive Leadership Training Conference and Mujer Awards
brings together Latinas, national leaders and NHLI's accomplished alumnae*

Los Angeles, CA.-- The National Hispana Leadership Institute (NHLI) will convene over six hundred Latinas, national leaders and NHLI's accomplished alumnae at the Wilshire Grand Hotel in Los Angeles, CA on November 3-4, 2011.

This year's Executive Leadership Training Conference and *Mujer Awards* theme, *Latinas Connecting Across Generations, Reaching New Heights*, will offer two days of cutting-edge leadership and professional development, networking, educational and inspirational keynotes and workshops facilitated by top-level Latinas from across the country.

"We're preparing an exciting, yet highly educational conference for beginning and established professionals," said Barbara J. DesMarteau, Acting President of the National Hispana Leadership Institute. "This year's conference celebrates Latinas fostering professional relationships across generations as they strengthen each other and reach a greater more unified potential."

"From a health and wellness expo and career recruitment fair, to empowering workshops, inspiring panel sessions, exhilarating fitness classes and engaging art exhibits," added DesMarteau. "This is an event that you cannot afford to miss."

The *Mujer Awards Gala*, celebrated since 1993, will be held on Friday, November 4. NHLI will close the conference by paying tribute to the achievements and contributions of exceptional Latina leaders. This year's honorees include Maria Contreras-Sweet, founding chairwoman of Promérica Bank, The Honorable Gloria Molina, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 1st District, The Honorable Lucille Roybal-Allard, U.S Representative for California's 34th Congressional District, Lillian Roybal-Rose, renowned educator and consultant and María Rita Jaramillo, External Partnerships and Advocacy at the National Education Association in Washington, DC.

Founded in 1987, NHLI has trained and empowered more than 10,000 Latina leaders from the public and private sectors who have been appointed to leadership positions in government, corporate America, nonprofits, foundations or have started their own businesses. NHLI's mission is to develop Hispanas as ethical leaders through training, professional development, relationship building, and community activism. www.nhli.org.