

## League of United Latin American Citizens

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**National Office** 

**To:** All LULAC Councils

From: Roger C. Rocha, Jr., LULAC National President

**Date:** June 16, 2016

**Subject:** 2016 LULAC National Convention

I invite you to join us in Washington, D.C. for the 87<sup>th</sup> LULAC National Convention and Exposition. As members of the largest and oldest Hispanic organization in the country, we gather every year to address the critical issues that impact our community and country. We are just a month away from the 87<sup>th</sup> LULAC National Convention in our nation's capital, and we are excited about the amazing agenda we have put together for you. We have confirmed some fantastic speakers and entertainers including HUD Secretary Julián Castro, Attorney General Loretta Lynch, HHS Secretary Sylvia Mathews Burwell, Education Secretary John B. King, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack actor and director Edward James Olmos, Orange is the New Black actress Diane Guerrero, EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy, U.S. House of Representatives Minority Whip Steny Hoyer District of Columbia Mayor Muriel Bowser, U.S. House of Representatives Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton, Office of Personnel Management Acting Director Beth F. Colbert U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director Dan Ashe, Veterans Affairs Deputy Secretary Sloan Gibson, Ricardo Rossello, Ph.D., Noticiero Telemundo and MSNBCLive Ancho José Díaz-Balart and the amazing Army Salsa Band. In addition, we are expecting to confirm Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and President Barack Obama as our convention keynotes very soon. We also have a great line up of workshops and seminars that will inform you of the latest issues impacting the Latino community. Our expo area will include hundreds of corporate exhibits, a federal plaza, a career fair, a health fair and a nearby cyber café. And don't forget to dress up for the Friday night black tie Presidential Awards Banquet.

Enclosed are 2 proposed amendments to the LULAC Constitution for your council members to review. Also enclosed is the latest agenda, registration form, and delegation certification letter. We encourage all councils to register their delegates online in advance at <a href="www.lulac.org/reg">www.lulac.org/reg</a> and to submit their delegate credentials letters online at <a href="www.lulac.org/delegate">www.lulac.org/delegate</a> in order to avoid lines at the onsite convention registration and certification area. I am excited to inform you that the LULAC National Board has voted once again to conduct the national election via electronic ballot to make our election process smoother and faster than ever this year. See <a href="rules here">rules here</a>.

Please note that there are still kings and double doubles left at the Washington Hilton Hotel but the cut-off date is June 30, 2016 so <u>book now</u> to ensure you have the best convention experience. Be sure to check <u>www.lulac.org/convention</u> for the latest convention information. Brothers and sisters of LULAC, this is one LULAC National convention that you will not want to miss. Please join me in Washington, D.C. and participate in all of our exciting events. I look forward to seeing you there.