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**Harnessing the Momentum After The 2018 Election**

Area Leaders Gather Tomorrow in Chicago for the Latino Policy Forum's Annual Policy Fundraiser to Celebrate Surges in Latino Civic Engagement and Voter Turnout

**CHICAGO** – The 2018 Midterm Election saw an enormous surge in interest and engagement from Latinos in Illinois and across the nation, and the Latino Policy Forum is making sure area civic leaders are harnessing that momentum to build on progress.

The Forum, the only organization in Chicago that facilitates the involvement of Latinos at all levels of public decision-making, is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary with its annual fundraiser, entitled "Latinos on the Move: Equity for All."

Chicago-area media are asked to attend to report on research conducted of the challenges and progress Latinos in Illinois have made over the last 10 years.

The event will provide new data on the assets and challenges of the Latino community such as increased levels of household income, college attainment and voting. It will also commemorate the impact of the organization, which is rooted in three decades of social activism going back to Mayor Harold Washington and the Forum's predecessor, Latinos United.

**WHEN:** Friday, November 9, 2018, 11 AM-1:30 PM

**WHERE:** Hyatt Regency Chicago, 151 East Upper Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60601

**WHAT:** Latinos on the Move 2018 "Equity for All – Harnessing the Momentum"

**WHO:** Sylvia Puente, Executive Director, Latino Policy Forum. Legacy Award Honoree Ellen Alberding, President of the Joye Foundation, Scott Swanson, President, PNC Bank Illinois

**About the Latino Policy Forum**

The Latino Policy Forum is the only organization in the Chicago area that facilitates the involvement of Latinos at all levels of public decision-making. Through advocacy and analysis, the Forum builds a foundation for equity, justice and economic prosperity for the Latino community. By catalyzing policy change, the Forum works to improve education outcomes, advocate for affordable housing, promote just immigration policies and strengthen community leadership. For more information, visit [www.latinopolicyforum.org](http://www.latinopolicyforum.org).