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**The National Hispana Leadership Institute Convenes Hundreds at its
25th Anniversary Kick-Off Reception
in Commemoration of Women's History Month**

Washington, DC. -- The National Hispana Leadership Institute (NHLI) convenes hundreds at its 25th Anniversary Kick-Off Reception on March 5, 2012 in commemoration of women's history month in Washington, D.C.

Founded in 1987, NHLI is the premier executive leadership organization preparing Latinas for positions of national and international influence, public policy impact and to contribute to the advancement of the Hispanic community.

"It is hard to believe that it has been 25 years since the Coors Brewing Company sponsored our pilot year in 1987," said Barbara J. DesMarteau, Acting President of the National Hispana Leadership Institute. "We hope to celebrate this wonderful milestone with many of you at the 25th Anniversary kick-off reception as well as at the Executive Leadership Training Conference & *Mujer* Awards to be held in Washington, D.C. on December 10-11."

People attending this event will gain insights into Latina Leadership in public sector and corporate America. The panel discussion will partake in a dialogue on issues important to Latinas with an emphasis in the rich Latina identity engrained in the core of NHLI's programs. This is a great opportunity to network with Latino(a) professionals working across the nation in the private and public sectors.

Featured Panelists include:

- **Nicole Quiroga**, General Manager, Telemundo, WZDC, NHLI Class of 2004
- **The Honorable Carmen Lomellin**, US Permanent OAS and Ambassador, US Department of State, NHLI Class of 1989
- **Ingrid Duran**, Co-Founder and Principal, D&P Creative Strategies, NHLI Class of 2002
- **Catherine Pino**, Co-Founder and Principal, D&P Creative Strategies, NHLI Class of 2006
- **María Rita Jaramillo**, Senior Liaison, External Partnerships and Advocacy, National Education Association (NEA), NHLI Class of 1988

For more info and to RSVP to this FREE and exciting event, please visit: www.nhli.org/events.htm or email nhlievents@gmail.com.

The National Hispana Leadership Institute (NHLI) is a national leadership development organization for Latina leaders. Founded in 1987 to address the disparity of representation of Latinas in leadership, NHLI's mission is to develop Hispanas as ethical leaders through training, professional development, relationship building, and community activism.