



THE HONORABLE  
**HILDA L. SOLIS**  
U.S. SECRETARY OF LABOR

Dear Tribal Leaders:

In honor of the first Tribal Nations Conference at the White House and in recognition of both my own and this administration's strong commitment to Indian Country, I would like to invite you to meet with me on Wednesday, November 4th, 2009 in Washington, D.C.

Economic and employment issues facing the American Indian and Alaska Native populations are among the most urgent issues we face today. In an effort to address how the Department of Labor and tribal nations can best approach these issues, I invite you here so that we may begin an ongoing dialogue and build a foundation for addressing the Native American community's needs.

The event will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the Department of Labor's headquarters, 200 Constitution Ave N.W. Please arrive 15 minutes early to allow sufficient time to clear security. Space is limited, so please respond as soon as possible to ensure your tribe's participation. Attendance will be limited to one representative per tribe, and responses must be received by October 30th. Responses and questions can be directed to Nicole Willis, Special Assistant for Indian Affairs, at [willis.nicole@dol.gov](mailto:willis.nicole@dol.gov) or 202-693-6453.

I hope that you are able to attend and look forward to working together.

Sincerely,  
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