

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**UDC Resolution 2012-21**

**SUBJECT: Conferral of Honorary Degree upon Hilda Solis, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to D.C. Code §38-1202.06(3), the Board of Trustees has authority to award degrees and to establish policy with respect to the award of degrees; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 8 DCMR §315.3, the Board of Trustees have approved the recommendation of Secretary Holis by affirmative vote of at least three-fourths ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of the members present; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 8 DCMR §315.2, the President, upon consultation with the Faculty Senate, has recommended that Ms. Hilda Solis be awarded an honorary degree based on her outstanding leadership, dedication, and accomplishment as a public servant, from her first years as a federal employee, to her years as an elected member of the California State Senate, through her current role as U.S. Secretary of Labor; for her compassion for all people as exemplified by the policies and practices she works to improve—ranging from human rights, to environmental regulations and laws, to domestic violence, health care and the minimum wage; her courage and determination, which earned her the JFK Profile in Courage Award in 2000; and for her service to the international community and humanitarian efforts through her position as the Vice Chair of the Helsinki Commission's General Committee on Democracy, Human Rights and Humanitarian Questions.

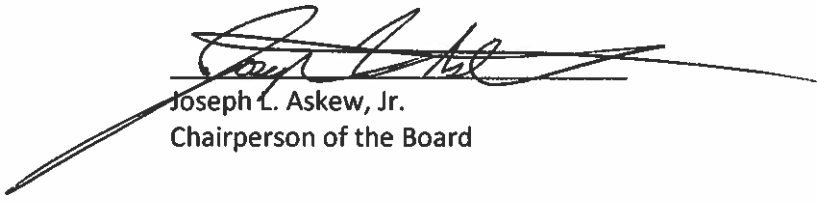
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia hereby awards the degree of Doctor of Laws, with all the honors, privileges, and duties pertaining thereto.

Submitted by the Academic Affairs Committee

April 11, 2012

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

April 18, 2012

  
Joseph L. Askew, Jr.  
Chairperson of the Board