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## LEADERS BID FAREWELL TO CONGRESO BOARD CHAIR KEN TRUJILLO Carolina Cabrera DiGiorgio named successor

PHILADELPHIA—Congreso de Latinos Unidos, Inc., a Top 25 Hispanic Nonprofit in the Nation and one the region's Top Workplaces, welcomed 50 of the region's leading business and nonprofit leaders to an intimate reception to bid farewell to its Board Chair Ken Trujillo, while announcing that current Vice Chair, Carolina Cabrera DiGiorgio, who joined the Board in 2009, would succeed him.

In the 24 years Trujillo has served as Board Chair, Congreso has grown from a small service provider to one of the largest Hispanic nonprofits in the nation. It now encompasses a campus in Eastern North Philadelphia serving more than 56,000 individuals over the last five years through its education, employment, health and social services. Trujillo leaves Congreso a \$25 million agency employing more than 300. "Congreso has never been in a better position. President and CEO Cynthia F. Figueroa has proven herself to be a strategic thinker, partnership builder, and organizational leader," said Trujillo. "Congreso has been such a significant part of my family's and my life over the last 24 years. We've been honored to be part of its remarkable development. I am really looking forward to seeing all that's ahead under Carolina and Cynthia's leadership," he continued.

Incoming Chair Carolina Cabrera DiGiorgio was born in Tegucigalpa, Honduras and is the first woman to lead Congreso's Board of Directors in its 37-year history. She is an accomplished attorney at Stradley Ronon and is a Commissioner with the Governor's Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs. "It is an honor to continue to serve this great organization. As the next Board Chair, I am committed to furthering its mission of strengthening Latino communities and working alongside Cynthia and Congreso's executive staff to define the scope of that work."

Congreso President and CEO Cynthia F. Figueroa, who first met Trujillo when she worked at Congreso in the 1990s, lauded his role as a mentor and one of the most influential leaders in Philadelphia. "While the story of Ken's impact in Philadelphia is still being written, his impact on Congreso, its leadership, and the tens of thousands served during his tenure is clear. His passion for creating an even playing field for Latinos, regardless of socioeconomic status, has driven Congreso to serve as an incubator of talent, establish a charter school already designated an IB World School, and position itself as a performance management leader in the nonprofit sector. We are grateful for his and his family's commitment to our mission."

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## About Congreso de Latinos Unidos

Founded in 1977, Congreso's mission is to strengthen Latino communities through social, economic, education and health services; leadership development and advocacy. Congreso served 14,316 individuals in FY13 through its education, employment, health and social services.