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**STATEMENT OF SENATOR EDWARD M. KENNEDY ON COMMITTEE APPROVAL
OF SECRETARY OF LABOR-DESIGNATE HILDA SOLIS**

WASHINGTON, DC— Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Chairman of the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, today released the following statement in response to the Committee’s approval of the nominee for the Secretary of Labor, Hilda Solis:

“Hilda Solis comes from a working family herself so she understands how the troubled economy is hurting average Americans. American workers deserve to have her voice and her leadership as their Secretary of Labor, and I’m pleased that our committee approved her.”

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