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Hello Commissioners,

I am reaching out today to respectfully urge the eight of you to prioritize the representation of the Latinx community onto this incredibly important commission.

There are currently no Latinx commissioners, but there are a total of 7 Latinos in the pool of remaining applicants that you could select from. Latino's make up 39% of California's population and the complete lack of Latino representation thus far is deeply concerning. Latinos are needed at tables of power like this one to voice the concerns and needs of the largest ethnic group in the state.

Pedro Toledo, is not only Latino, but also represents a region of California that has yet to be included on the commission. With so much at stake, and fair representation on the line, I respectfully request you all keep him in mind when selecting the next six commissioners.

Respectfully,

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