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UNFILLED DREAMS OF LATINO STUDENTS HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH PANEL DISCUSSION WRIGHT COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that on September 23, 2009, Wright College hosted a panel discussion titled Unfilled Dreams: Latinos and Their Struggles to Attain Higher Education. The panel included the following individuals:

Mr. Jesse Ruiz, Chair of the Illinois State Board of Education and Attorney at Drinker, Biddle & Reath, LLP

Mr. Rey Gonzalez, Vice President of State Legislative and Community Affairs, ComEd

Ms. Ana Maria Soto, Executive Director of Latino Initiatives National Louis University

Dr. Ana Vazquez, Directore of Multicultural Student Affairs The University of Chicago

Ms. Keyla Torres, Wright College Alumna and former President of Wright's SGA and PTK Chapter 2009 Graduate of Northwestern University

Mr. Luis Zuniga Wright College student

that the panel discussed the casual factors related to Hispanic student access and success in higher education and provided members of the audience with advice from their personal experience and observations on overcoming these obstacles. The event was featured in the Education section of the Lawndale Bilingual News on Thursday, October 1, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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