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APALA Celebrates the Withdrawal of #AntiLaborSecretary Andrew Puzder

Washington, DC – The Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance, AFL-CIO (APALA) celebrates the withdrawal of the Department of Labor Secretary nominee Andrew Puzder, and issued the following statement from Johanna Puno Hester, APALA National President and Assistant Executive Director of the United Domestic Workers, AFSCME Local 3930:

"This is a huge victory for our communities. We need a Labor Secretary who will ensure millions of workers throughout the country are treated with the dignity and respect they deserve, not a CEO who has demonstrated time and again to put profit over people. Let Puzder's withdrawal be an example of how powerful organizing can be. As Puzder was only one nomination in a larger set of Cabinet picks who seriously threaten the lives and freedom of people of color, women, LGBTQ communities, and all other marginalized groups, we call on our members, co-conspirators, and allies to continue to resist, organize, and fight back against this administration that is intentionally targeting and attacking our diverse communities and working families nationwide."

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The **Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance** (APALA), AFL-CIO was founded in 1992 as the first and only national organization for Asian Pacific American union members to advance worker, immigrant and civil rights.

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