Dear Secretary Acosta:

The FIU College of Law was created as the first public law school in South Florida in order to provide a different kind of lawyer, not more lawyers. The College of Law sought to provide lawyers that could meet the needs of the south Florida community and globalization. It is one of the top ten most diverse law schools in the country. Graduates continually rank at the top of the State of Florida Bar passage rate. We are now ranked in the top 100 of all law schools nationally. The FIU College of Law was created to serve the diverse south Florida community. As alumni of the FIU College of Law we seek to uphold the diversity of the law school, this community, and this country as one of our strongest assets.

Your appointment as Secretary of Labor was a historical moment for the FIU College of Law. Unfortunately, it is now apparent that your appointment is on the wrong side of history. As a cabinet member in an administration that actively demonizes minorities, usurps the rule of law, and demonstrates incompetence in leadership you are complicit in the actions of this President.

A leader cannot simultaneously hold opposing views on the future of our nation. As our Dean, we saw the son of immigrants, the leader of our forward-looking law school who championed our school's stated purpose to serve the underprivileged in the unique community that is South Florida. As a member of the Trump Administration, we see a man complicit in our President's blatant attacks on people of color, immigrant communities, environment, and the truth. 47 alumni ask that you choose how you will be remembered by FIU COL, and the South Florida community as a whole. We ask that you immediately resign from your executive appointment with the Trump Administration. Further, we ask that you make every effort to distance yourself from that administration's view of the future of our nation, as that digressive view is opposite of the future envisioned by the FIU COL.