

SECRETARY OF LABOR
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On behalf of the Department of Labor, I am pleased to send greetings and congratulations to the American Society of Safety Engineers on the occasion of your Centennial Anniversary.

As the Nation's largest and oldest professional society of occupational safety and health professionals, ASSE's work over the past century has been critical to the great progress the Nation has made in workplace safety and health. Emerging from the ashes of the 1911 Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire in New York, ASSE has grown into a respected national organization with a key voice on matters of workplace safety and health. Since the passage of the Occupational Safety and Health Act in 1970, ASSE has shared a common mission with the Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration, resulting in four decades of close cooperation and important gains in ensuring safe workplaces. We hope that this key partnership will continue to grow in years to come.

My vision for the Department of Labor is to provide "Good Jobs for Everyone." We all know that good jobs are safe jobs, and ASSE's members know how to make jobs safe and healthy. That knowledge, embodied in the work of over 34,000 members, lies at the core of our Nation's ability to deliver on the vital promise of occupational safety and health. Each and every one of your members should be proud of their contribution, and of the collective impact of your organization on our country.

On the extraordinary occasion of your 100th anniversary, I want to congratulate ASSE and thank you again for your unwavering commitment and contribution to workplace safety and health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hilda L. Solis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

HILDA L. SOLIS
Secretary of Labor