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(April 24, 2009)-University of Minnesota, Morris student Kateri Bird and Hilda Ladner, director of the Multi-Ethnic Student Program and assistant to the chancellor for Equity and Diversity, are recipients of this year’s César E. Chávez Awards. The awards were presented during a campus ceremony April 24.

Recipients are nominated by Morris campus students for their outstanding leadership and contribution to the Latino community, communities of Color and for their support of Worker’s Rights. They are also recognized for personifying the values of service to others, sacrifice, a preference to help the neediest, determination, non-violence, tolerance, respect for life, celebrating community, knowledge and innovation, embodied by the late legendary labor and civil rights leader, César Chávez.

Photo, l-r: Pictured near the campus sign named for César Chávez are Lisa Le, United Latinos treasurer, Kateri Bird with son Curtis Bird, Jacobo Oliva De Luna, United Latinos president, Hilda Ladner, Antonio Coria, United Latinos vice president.

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