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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Mount Mary College Commencement to Take Place May 19, 2012**

*Entrepreneur, U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Chair Nina Vaca to deliver address*

**MILWAUKEE, WI** (May 14, 2012) – Mount Mary College will conduct its commencement ceremonies on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. in the College's Bloechl Recreation Center located at 2900 N. Menomonee River Parkway, Milwaukee. Undergraduate degrees representing 25 majors will be conferred on approximately 150 students. Graduate degrees representing seven programs will be conferred on approximately 115 students. Eight certificates representing three areas of certification will also be awarded. The 270 degrees to be conferred in May combine with 150 degrees in December for a total of 420 for the 2011-2012 academic year.

Nina Vaca, Founder, Chairman and CEO of Pinnacle Technical Resources Inc., will deliver the keynote address and will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. Vaca's Dallas-based staffing and managed services firm recruits and manages contingent labor for a broad variety of Fortune 500 companies. Under Vaca's leadership, Pinnacle has received over 38 national and local awards during the past seven years including consecutive top rankings in the Inc. 500, and *Staffing Industry Report*. Vaca has also appeared as one of *Fast Company's* Top 25 Women Business Builders in the country and was named one of the 100 most influential Hispanics in America by *Latino Leaders Magazine*.

She is a Director with Kohl's Corporation™, Director with Comerica, Inc.™, and the incoming Chairman of the Board of the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

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Mount Mary College, founded in 1913 by the School Sisters of Notre Dame, was Wisconsin's first four-year, degree-granting Catholic college for women. Located on an 80-acre campus in Milwaukee, the College offers more than 30 undergraduate majors for women and eight graduate programs for women and men. Mount Mary also emphasizes study abroad, service learning, and social justice initiatives. Its nearly 1900 students enjoy small class sizes (average 15) and over 90 percent of full-time students receive financial aid or scholarships. Through classroom instruction and community service, Mount Mary develops women to be leaders in their professions and their communities, serving as role models to inspire achievement in others. Visit Mount Mary at [www.mtmary.edu](http://www.mtmary.edu).

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