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President Obama and Mitt Romney Address NALEO Conference at Disney

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla., June 20, 2012 – Serving as the site for the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) 29th Annual Conference, Disney's Contemporary Resort and Convention Center was recently a hub of political activity as President Barack Obama, presumptive Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney, U.S. Senator Marco Rubio and other special dignitaries addressed attendees.

"We were pleased that the President of the United States joined our nation's Latino leadership at this historic event," said Sylvia R. Garcia, NALEO President. "With the changing demographics and the growing Latino population, this conference was an opportunity for the President to address key elected officials and leaders regarding the Administration's efforts to address the unique issues and challenges facing the Latino community today."

"We are grateful that Governor Mitt Romney accepted our invitation to join us and address the nation's Hispanic leadership at our annual conference," said Juan C. Zapata, Chairman of the NALEO Educational Fund. "Hispanic officials are eager to hear more about the Governor's plans for the country and his thoughts on the Hispanic community's aspirations and concerns."

Additional speakers included: US Senator Bill Nelson, US Secretary of Labor, Hilda Solís; Florida Governor Rick Scott and former Governor of Florida, Jeb Bush, among others.

The three-day convention was the nation's largest gathering of Latino leadership with nearly 1,000 Latino public officials who work in all levels of government. Conference participants joined political and policy leaders for panel discussions on education, health, financial empowerment, broadband adoption and the growing clout of Latino voters in American politics.
Click here to view the conference schedule.