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National LULAC officers to attend Aug. 29 presidential forum on immigration, Latino issues

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STORM LAKE, IOWA – The National President and the Executive Director of the League of United Latin American Citizens will take part in the #UniteIowa on Immigration forum on Aug. 29.

LULAC of Iowa is one of the sponsors for the forum on immigration, which is designed to draw presidential candidates from both parties to have a thoughtful and civil conversation about immigration and other Latino issues. Joe Enriquez Henry, Midwest vice president for LULAC, is one of the organizers of the event, along with nine other community organizers.

National President Roger Rocha Jr. and National Executive Director Brent Wilkes will attend.

"Our national LULAC leadership knows very well that immigration is an issue that affects us all across the country, and they will provide that national perspective," Enriquez Henry said. "They also realize the importance of the Caucus campaign season in Iowa and want to join in discussing this important topic with other Iowa Latinos and presidential candidates.

The #UniteIowa on Immigration forum is at Bueno Vista University's Schaller Memorial Chapel in Storm Lake. The event is free and will be simulcast online. Presidential candidates have been invited to attend to both speak and ask questions, while they also listen to Iowans who represent a broad spectrum of immigration views.

Kyle Munson, the Iowa columnist for the Des Moines Register, will moderate the forum as part of his #UniteIowa campaign, which he launched earlier this year to inspire sensible, substantive discussions about some of the most polarizing issues.

The event is free, there is limited space. Tickets will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Register at IowaImmigration.org.

Founded in 1929, the League of United Latin American Citizens is the oldest U.S. Latino civil rights organization. There are more than 1,000 local LULAC councils, which hold voter registration drives, provide awareness to residents about language and immigration issues, sponsor programs and advocate for Latinos.

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