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Iowa LULAC to host Latino Legislative Day on Feb. 9

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DES MOINES, IA – The League of United Latin American Citizens of Iowa will host the annual Latino Legislative Day on Tuesday at the Iowa State Capitol.

“This is a day for our community to have access to our elected leaders and to speak with them about issues that are important to the Latino community,” said Joe Enriquez Henry, National LULAC Vice President of the Midwest.

The day will begin with breakfast from 7 to 9 a.m. in State Dining Room 15. Tamales and burritos will be served. Afterward, there will be several speakers, elected leaders and civil rights activists, who will give presentations about bills being considered by the state Legislature. LULAC’s Latino Vote Iowa campaign staff will provide an update about the Latino turnout at the Iowa Caucuses.

Iowa LULAC’s top legislative priorities for 2016 include:

- Affordable and increased access to health care
- Increased money for education, specifically for programs for students who are not native English speakers and low-income students
- Economic development and jobs
- Driver’s licenses for immigrants
- An increase in the state’s minimum wage

Anyone is welcome to attend. Spanish-speaking translators will be at the event.

The League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) is the nation’s largest and oldest civil rights volunteer-based organization that empowers Hispanic Americans and builds strong Latino communities. Headquartered in Washington, D.C. with 1,000 councils around the United States and Puerto Rico, LULAC’s programs, services and advocacy address the most important issues for Latinos, meeting critical needs of today and the future.

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