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## National LULAC leaders, Iowa elected leaders to hold press conference

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DES MOINES – Iowa elected leaders, including U.S. Sen. Tom Harkin, will join with members of the League of United Latin American Citizens to Iowa and the civil rights organization's national president to discuss immigration reform during a press conference on Friday (Nov. 1).

LULAC National President Margaret Moran will discuss the need for comprehensive immigration reform and other issues pertaining to Latinos at a 4 p.m. press conference in the Dubuque Room (third floor) of the Marriott Hotel, 700 Grand Ave.

“Over the weekend, the Latino community was grateful to have U.S. Rep. Jeff Denham (R-Calif.) co-sponsor HR 15, the Border Security, Economic Opportunity and Immigration Modernization Act, which offers a common sense approach to fixing our country's broken immigration system and includes an earned path to citizenship,” Moran said. “LULAC will continue to reach out to other House Republicans and press that they, too, follow Congressman Denham's lead and support sound policy for our country.”

Moran will be joined by six other current and past national LULAC officers, including current National Vice President of the Midwest Darryl Morin, National Vice President of Elderly Affairs Frank Urteaga and LULAC Executive Director Brent Wilkes. Iowa LULAC State Director Joe Enriquez Henry, along with three other former state directors, also will be at the press conference.

Harkin, a Democrat from Cumming, also will speak at the press conference. Iowa Sens. Jack Hatch, D-Des Moines, and Janet Peterson, D-Des Moines, Iowa Rep. Ako Abdul-Samad, D-Des Moines also will be present.

The press conference will be followed by The Iowa Latino Leadership Awards Banquet, where five individuals will be honored for their contributions to the Latino community, and the first Emerging Latino Leader Scholarship will be awarded.

Limited tickets are still available by contacting Enriquez Henry at 515-208-7312.

Founded in 1929, the League of United Latin American Citizens is the oldest Latino civil rights organization in the United States. There are more than 900 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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