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Florida Democrats

Dear Mike,

There is no question - the backbone of every Party or political organization is its grassroots. It's about how many Floridians are going to reach out to their neighbors or invest what few dollars they can in change. That is how we won in 2008-- and it is how we'll do it again in 2010.

But, as we approach our end of the quarter fundraising deadline, just before our State Conference in October, the Republican Party is attacking us and trying reverse the change we worked for in 2008, and the press is looking to see who is ready to win in 2010.

For the last two quarters, three and four times more Floridians have invested in our party than the Republican Party. Now, we have to do it again and show everyone we are united to bring new and different leadership to Tallahassee.

When we gather in October, I hope we can celebrate our grassroots strength and build on another successful quarter. And I want you to join us there.

You have the chance to be selected to join us on the weekend of October 9th and 10th for the Florida Democrats 2009 State Conference in Orlando, and stay with us at Disney's Yacht and Beach Club.

Contribute \$20 or more before midnight on September 30th to have a chance to be selected:

<http://www.fladems.com/orlandoweekend>

I am really excited for the conference. I have talked with a lot of Democrats across Florida in the last few months but I always wish I could talk to just a few more, and stay a bit longer - that's why I am inviting you to take the chance to join us.

If you are selected you will get free tickets and a hotel night for you and a guest to join us at the State Conference including events featuring national leaders like Governors Martin O'Malley of Maryland and John Baldacci of Maine and our own leaders like Senator Bill Nelson and CFO Alex Sink.

It's going to be a great weekend in Orlando - and I really hope that you will donate today and join us there:

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We are strong from the ground up - and that makes the Republicans worried. While the Republican Party deals with scandal after scandal from AmEx slush funds to back-room dealings - we are united from the ground up.

In fact, even Bill McCollum's campaign manager is desperately trying to divide us - he's afraid. He sent an email

asking Republicans to:

"Help to ensure President Obama stays OUT of our race here in Florida ... help provide momentum to our campaign and force national Democrats to spend their money elsewhere!"

What they still don't understand is that you - our grassroots activists - are the backbone of our party. They don't believe you will stand up and bring change to Florida as you did last year. But, I know, no matter what they come up with to try and divide us, we will work with President Obama and to bring new and different leadership to Tallahassee.

Donate \$20 or more today and show the Republicans that we are united and get the chance to be selected to join us at Disney's Yacht and Beach Club for our State Conference:

<http://www.fladems.com/orlandoweekend>

Thank you for being the backbone of our party and making us ready to win in 2010.

Sincerely,

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