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Representative Janet C. Long (D-Seminole) Hosts a Town Hall Meeting on Education Issues Tuesday, December 15, 2009

"Step Up for Florida Pre-K: The Case for Degreed Teachers"

Representative Janet C. Long will detail a plan to improve Florida's education system from the bottom up. A distinguished panel of experts and stakeholders will join Representative Long at a town hall meeting Tuesday that will focus on the promise and strategy of implementing high-quality Pre-Kindergarten in Florida.

"Educational reform in this state, which I have strongly supported since I was elected to the Legislature in 2006, depends on our ability to prepare children for a life-long foundation of learning," said Representative Long. "We must get this right. It is not effective public policy to invest nearly 400-million dollars in pre-kindergarten only to spend the same amount or more remediating third graders who have educational problems that could have been prevented."

Laura Moody, news anchor for Fox News Tampa Bay (WTVT), will moderate the event. The proceedings will be filmed for later television broadcast. A live webcast will be available the evening of the event at: MMS://media.spcollege.edu/pre_k.

The details for this event are as follows:

What: Representative Janet C. Long Hosts a Town Hall Meeting on Education
When: Tuesday, December 15 2009
Where: The Digitorium, St. Petersburg College – Seminole Campus
Time: 4 to 5 p.m. - Reception
5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. - Town Hall Meeting

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