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Representative Geraldine Thompson
Chosen as Key Leader to Attend Roundtable Event

TALLAHASSEE – House Democratic Leader Pro Tempore Geraldine Thompson (D-Orlando) has been selected to participate in the Southern Women in Public Service Regional Roundtable event sponsored by the Stennis Center for Public Service Leadership.

The event takes place on October 29 and 30 in Stone Mountain, Georgia and will bring together nearly three dozen key leaders from Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina to examine the current status of women in public service leadership. The discussions will include strategies for increasing the involvement of women in leadership at the local, state and national levels.

The two-day event will focus on:

- Identifying current obstacles facing women in public service leadership and how those obstacles can be removed.
- Can women work together across partisan lines to bring about change?
- How can more women be brought into public service leadership? What more can be done to promote women's political leadership?

Prior key-note speakers for this event have included Hillary Clinton, Elizabeth

Dole, and Janet Reno. Representative Thompson says that she understands that attending this event will give her the opportunity to gain new insight on what challenges other women are facing or overcoming in their states. She will have the opportunity to share her experience with constituents and colleagues alike.

“This is a rare opportunity where despite our political differences we all have the same focus of continuing the legacy of women in public service and I plan to take full advantage of everything it has to offer,” said Representative Thompson.

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