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FLORIDA LEGISLATORS TO JOIN MEETING AT THE WHITE HOUSE TO WELCOME HAITI'S PRESIDENT RENE PREVAL

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – State Representatives Ronald Brisé (D-North Miami) and Mack Bernard (D-West Palm Beach) are pleased to announce that they will join Haiti's President René Préval during his visit to The White House on Wednesday, March 10, 2010. Both legislators are Haitian-Americans who have traveled to Haiti since the earthquake. They have worked extensively with colleagues to facilitate Florida's relief efforts in earthquake-torn Haiti.

President Préval is scheduled to meet with President Obama to discuss reconstruction plans for Haiti. President Préval will also meet with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, Attorney General Eric Holder, and representatives from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

"We look forward to welcoming President Préval in a collegial environment that will lead to constructive dialogue," said Representative Brisé.

"There are many challenges ahead for Haiti's recovery," said Representative Bernard. "I am pleased that President Obama and senior officials in his administration recognize the critical needs facing Haiti. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in this important conversation at The White House."

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