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Dear Jerry,

A big THANK YOU for all of the volunteers in our successful Georgia Latino Vote 2004! Through our efforts, we registered well over 4,000 voters and worked to get many of them to the polls by making our phone calls! Thank you for your great contribution to our democracy!

In addition, I would like to thank all of the GALEO members who have supported GALEO through our first year! GALEO has had many successes in building a more active Latino community across the state and we will continue to build upon our base for a more engaged Latino community.

We are now accepting applications for our launch of the LeadershipPlenty training for individuals in Georgia. Please read more about this exciting leadership development training that we will offer in our communities.

We appreciate your continued support and encourage you to join us in our efforts! GALEO is building its membership base before year’s end and we would appreciate your contribution at any of the levels of support!

GALEO is supported by individuals, organizations, businesses and corporations who believe in supporting the state's growing Latino community and the mission of increased civic engagement by the Latino community. This is accomplished by becoming a GALEO member.

Membership is open to anyone who would like to support our efforts in the Latino community. All elected officials are also encouraged to become members.

GALEO is a 501 (c) 6 nonprofit and nonpartisan organization, similar to a professional trade association or a chamber of commerce. None of the funds raised are used for political campaigns or for elected officials. All funds raised are used for the development of the mission of GALEO.

One final note...
GALEO in AJC's Political Insider, Twenty years from now, we'll have to explain why this was at all remarkable Heritage Month

Vote on Tuesday, November 23rd!

As you and your family begin to celebrate the upcoming holidays, it is important to stop and reflect on the many things we should be thankful for. I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

Jerry Gonzalez, Executive Director

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Thank you for a successful GALEO Fall Fundraiser!

GALEO would like to thank our sponsors for our successful Fall Fundraiser at 7 Stages:

- Amigo de GALEO: Senator Sam Zamarripa (SD-36)
- GALEO Partner: AMERIGROUP Corporation
- Hosts:
  - Briarcliff Pediatrics
  - Georgians for Healthcare
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  - Charles H. Kuck, Weathersby, Howard & Kuck, LLC

We'd also like to thank everyone that attended the wonderful and powerful production, *La Casa de Rigoberta Mira al Sur*. Thank you to our volunteers who helped with the mailing and with operating the box office for GALEO!

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GALEO Conducts Successful Candidate Forums in Hall and Cobb County

GALEO and the Georgia Latino Vote 2004 conducted two very successful candidate forums in Hall and Cobb Counties. The forums had candidates for U.S. Senate, U.S. Congress, state legislature and local candidates in Hall County. This was an excellent way for the Latino community to meet candidates.

GALEO appreciates the support of AARP Georgia in sponsoring both events! GALEO also appreciates the support of the volunteers in Hall and Cobb Counties that helped organize the events. The success of the forums is attributed to the dedication of the volunteers who helped organize the forums.

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A Call for Leaders!
There is no lack of leadership in this nation, just a lack of opportunity for people to tap their leadership potential and use it to better their communities.

You’re invited to participate in an innovative nine- module training program called LeadershipPlenty®, which will be held in Metro Atlanta and Athens, Georgia, starting January 2005. Applications are due December 15, 2004.

LeadershipPlenty® embraces the belief that there is no lack of leadership in our communities - rather there is a lack of opportunity for people from different backgrounds to work together to tackle tough issues. The LeadershipPlenty® Training Program is a tool to mobilize a change in mindset from one of leadership lack to one of leadership plenty. It's about looking for leadership in different places.

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• **GALEO Welcomes President Bush’s Nomination of Alberto Gonzales to Serve as the 1st Latino U.S. Attorney General**

Atlanta, GA, November 11, 2004 - GALEO welcomes President Bush's nomination of Alberto Gonzales, a Mexican-American, to be the next U.S. Attorney General. If confirmed, Mr. Gonzales will succeed John Ashcroft and will become the first Hispanic to ever serve as U.S. Attorney General.

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• **Latinos and the Election of 2004**

By: Jerry Gonzalez

November 2, 2004 was quite an exciting day for many people involved in the political process and for all citizens participating in our democracy. Election Day always is a day of reckoning for elected officials and political parties and is also a day for all citizens to participate in steering the direction of our great nation.

This year, we saw progress in the Latino community on several fronts. To begin with, nationally, an estimated 7 million Latinos went to the polls on Election Day and cast their vote. In Georgia, we saw an estimated 77,000 Latinos registered to vote. The Georgia Latino Vote 2004 had a very successful voter registration and voter education efforts with collaborative teamwork of many
organizations. In addition, Hall County had a successful pilot initiative to offer voting machines in English and Spanish.

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- **NALEO: LATINOS GAIN NEW GROUND IN CONGRESS AND STATE HOUSES**

November 4, 2004---Los Angeles, CA - From the neighborhoods of Wichita, Kansas, to the South End of Waterbury, Connecticut, to Utah's Salt Lake County, a diverse group of Latinos are gaining new seats in state legislatures across the nation, according to an analysis of Election 2004 conducted by the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) Educational Fund. In addition to historic victories in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, the number of Latinos serving in lower state houses will grow from 161 to 171.

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- **"Who is Samuel P. Huntington?", by D. Montejeno**

Critical Article on Samuel Huntington and his claims of what immigration means to the United States of America. It was published in the Texas Observer in August 2004.

As we move into the discussion of immigration reform, it is important to know how the debate may be framed.

"A chilling reminder of the depth of the problem of "intelligence failure" appeared in March of this year in an article published in Foreign Policy, arguably one of the most prominent policy journals in the country. In "The Hispanic Challenge," the author, Harvard professor Samuel P. Huntington, warns of the cultural and political threat posed by non-assimilating Mexican immigrants. If such immigration remains unchecked, "the cultural division between Hispanics and Anglos will replace the racial division between blacks and whites as the most serious cleavage in American society." The United States will become a bifurcated nation with two languages and two cultures. Salvation lies, according to Huntington, in a patriotic recommitment to "Anglo Protestantism," the cultural core of the country."

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- **GALEO & GA Latino Vote 2004 Partner with Atlanta WAND to Provide FREE Rides to the Polls on Election Day**
Atlanta, GA, October 25, 2004 - GALEO and the Georgia Latino Vote 2004 have partnered with Atlanta WAND to expand efforts of providing free rides to the polls on election day by calling 404.524.5999.

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• **GALEO in AJC's Political Insider, Twenty years from now, we'll have to explain why this was at all remarkable**

Where might Hispanic votes start to make a difference? We’re still trying to get a handle on that question, but the two places where Hispanic voter forums are being held - Smyrna and Gainesville - are obvious places to look.

Read on...

• **Vote on Tuesday, November 23rd!**

Please don't forget to vote on Tuesday, November 23rd, for the Georgia Court of Appeals race. Low turnout is expected due to the Thanksgiving holiday. That means that your vote will make that much more of a difference.

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