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Media Advisory

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Access Across America Summit Set in Tampa

Alexandria, Va., January 22, 2007 – Board Member Gigi Hyland will be facilitating the next NCUA Access Across America Economic Empowerment Summit. The program will be held March 6, 2007, at the Sheraton Tampa Riverwalk Hotel in Tampa, Florida. Registration opens at 8 a.m. The program will run from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Credit unions from Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana are invited to attend.

The free, one-day event will provide hands-on, “tools you can use” education to credit union management, staff and board volunteers. The agenda will focus on products, services and available federal resources to help credit unions reach out to all segments of their field of membership and empower members to achieve the American dream of financial self-sufficiency.

Key topics will include:

- Payday lending alternatives;
- Participating in the IRS’ Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program; and
- Check cashing and other services.

For this event, invited presenters include REAL Solutions Program Director, Lois Kitsch, of the National Credit Union Foundation; IRS representatives, the Florida Credit Union League and other credit union speakers.

Participants are responsible for their own hotel accommodations. Please contact the hotel directly:

Sheraton Tampa Riverwalk Hotel
200 North Ashley Drive
Tampa, FL 33602
813-223-2222

www.sheratontampariverwalkhotel.com

Access Across America promotes and facilitates the extension of affordable financial services to individuals and communities across the country. Access Across America highlights partnerships with federal agencies that empower credit unions with the education, technical resources and finances to provide much needed services, especially in underserved areas.

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