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2005 Latino Small Business Economic Conference: A Big Success

Washington, D.C. – The 2005 Latino Small Business Economic Conference in Washington, D.C. on May 3-5 was a huge success. President Bush, U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, U.S. Commerce Secretary Carlos Gutierrez, House Ways & Means Committee Chairman Bill Thomas, the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Dr. Mark McClellan and U.S. Senator George Allen, were among the keynote speakers at this conference.

Two national CEOs, First Data Corporation's Charlie Fote and Wellpoint Corporation's Larry Glasscock address the conference. Also the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration Hector Barreto and the Director of the Office of Economic Impact and Diversity at the U.S. Department of Energy Theresa Speakes addressed the attendees. The debate over immigration reform between Congressmen Luis Gutierrez (D-IL), Chris Cannon (R-UT) and Tom Tancredo (R-CO) and the debate on DR-CAFTA were other key highlights of this conference

To view and download pictures of this conference, [click here](#).

The Latino Coalition is a non-profit, non-partisan organization based in Washington, D.C. TLC was established to address policy issues that directly affect the well-being of Hispanics in the United States. TLC's agenda is to develop and promote policies that will foster economic equivalency and enhance overall business, economic, and social development of Hispanics. For more information please visit our website at www.TheLatinoCoalition.com.

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