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**League of Women Voters to Host Luncheon to Educate Public  
about its *Sisters Across the Straits* and *Global Democracy* Programs**

WHO: League of Women Voters of Florida Education Fund (LWVFEF) and League of Women Voters of the United States (LWVUS)

WHAT: *A Celebration of Sisterhood: Sisters Across the Straits Luncheon* featuring:

Deirdre Macnab, LWVF President  
Fmr. State Rep. Annie Betancourt, LWVF Director & *Sisters Across the Straits* Coordinator  
Dr. Blanca Munster, Researcher, Centre for World Economy Studies (CIEM) of Cuba  
Zaida Arguedas, LWVUS Deputy Executive Director

This event will include information about the League of Women Voters of Florida Education Fund's cultural exchange program with Cuba - *Sisters Across the Straits* - which has sent five delegations to Cuba since 2011. Additionally, guests will learn more about the League of Women Voters of the United States' *Global Democracy* initiative, which is focused on increasing the international voice in stressing transparency, accountability and good governance worldwide.

WHERE: Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, 111 West Fortune Street, Tampa, Florida 33602

WHEN: Friday, May 11, 2012 from 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM

WHY: To recognize and educate the public about the League's unique *Sisters Across the Straits* program, which aims to improve relations and build partnerships between the League of Women Voters and women's organizations in Cuba. The social and economic rewards of these relationships can be of mutual benefit and may lead to a better understanding between American and Cuban citizens.

COST: \$30 per person

RSVP: Guests can register for the *Sisters Across the Straits* Luncheon [here](#). Press passes are available.

For more information on LWVFEF's *Sisters Across the Straits* program, please click [here](#).

For more about the LWVUS *Global Democracy* initiative, please click [here](#).

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