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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## State Rep. Julio Robaina and Miami Beach Commissioner Jerry Libbin To Hold Town Hall Meeting on Condo Foreclosure Reforms

Miami Beach, Fla. — State Rep. Julio Robaina (R-Miami) and Miami Beach City Commissioner Jerry Libbin will hold a town hall meeting to discuss reforms needed to protect Florida's condominium unit owners from unfair assessments levied on them when banks foreclose on units in their buildings.

The residential real estate meltdown has forced thousands of condo unit holders in good standing to pay higher assessments, because banks are not paying their fair share when they foreclose on distressed properties.

Rep. Robaina (R-Miami) is chair of the Select Committee on Condominium & Homeowners Association, which oversees condominium legislation. He has been a fierce proponent of consumer protection measures for condo unit owners. He is committed to closing foreclosure assessment loopholes that mortgage lenders currently enjoy under Florida law. The fact that Representative Robaina will be spearheading these reforms will ensure that they are a top priority in the Florida Legislature.

WHAT: Town Hall meeting to discuss legislative reforms to protect condo owners from banks that aren't paying their fair share of assessments on foreclosed units.

WHEN: Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2008 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m

WHERE: Loews Miami Beach Hotel. 1601 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, Fla., 33139

NOTE: Parking is available in a city-owned garage at 16th Street and Collins Avenue.

For more information please contact Rep. Robaina's office at 305-442-6868.