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LABRADOR ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL CONGRESSIONAL STAFF HIRES

Boise - December 2, 2010 - Congressman-elect Raul Labrador today announced the hiring of three additional members to his permanent staff.

For his Washington, D.C. office, Congressman-elect Labrador is pleased to announce that John Goodwin has been appointed chief of staff and Mike Cunnington has been named scheduler and personal assistant. Phil Hardy has been appointed to the district staff as regional director for central and southwest Idaho.

Goodwin was most recently federal liaison for the National Rifle Association in Washington, D.C. Prior to working for the NRA, Goodwin served as communications director for Rep. Peter Roskam of Illinois and press secretary for Connecticut Congressman Rob Simmons, A native of Rhode Island, John is a graduate of Marymount University. In addition to being a seasoned political and legislative operative, John is a lifelong hunter and fisherman.

"John's vast Capitol Hill experience will be an excellent resource to Idaho as I begin the people's work in Congress," said Congressman-elect Labrador.

Cunnington, a native of Nampa, is a graduate of Skyview High School and Boise State University. He most recently served as finance director for the Raul Labrador for Idaho campaign.

"Mike has proven himself to be a very valued member of my team and I am delighted he has agreed to come to Washington to assist me," commented Labrador, "His attention to detail, his dedication and his sense of professionalism are qualities I have come to rely on."

Phil Hardy was most recently communications director for the Raul Labrador for Idaho campaign. Prior to this he served as communications director for the Majority Caucus in the Senate for both sessions of the 60th Idaho Legislature. Between sessions he served as an aide to Lt. Governor Brad Little. He is a graduate of Seton Hall University in New Jersey.

"My district staff is going to serve an important role as I represent the people of Idaho's First Congressional District and Phil's dedication and knowledge will be an important asset to me in that endeavor. I am in the process of building a talented and dedicated team to help me serve the people of Idaho, and I am proud to add these individuals to my roster," closed Labrador.

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