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**DROMM, NAACP'S JEALOUS MEET TO PROMOTE
ONE NATION MARCH ON OCTOBER 2ND IN WASHINGTON, DC**

Jackson Heights, NY, September 23, 2010 - NYC Council Member Daniel Dromm met with National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) President Benjamin Todd Jealous at the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Community Center to discuss ways to help organize our communities' involvement in the One Nation Working Together march scheduled for Washington, DC on October 2, 2010. The One Nation march aims to put America back to work and to bring all Americans together to create a better future for the country.

Some of the other goals of the One Nation march are to create good jobs, to rebuild the economy, to ensure respect for all families including LGBT families, to transform how we use energy and to secure an economic future built on the values that America has always aspired to achieve.

"It was a wonderful opportunity to meet Mr. Jealous and to hear firsthand why the march on October 2nd is so important," said Dromm. "The NAACP is celebrating its 101st anniversary and what better way is there to acknowledge that organization's contributions than to hold this march?"

Jealous spoke about his commitment to securing civil rights for LGBT people and about his personal support for same sex marriage. Jealous invoked the name of Bayard Rustin, himself an openly gay African American man and the main organizer of the 1963 March on Washington where Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech. Jealous said having openly gay African American people like Rustin involved in the early civil rights movement was crucial to the success the movement garnered.

Jealous has led the NAACP's recently renewed effort to reach out to LGBT people. He said that "no one can be free until everyone is free." He asked that LGBT people network with African Americans and other people affected by prejudice and discrimination like immigrants to help make this country a better place for everyone.

"That's why we are going to Washington on October 2nd," Jealous continued. "We must recognize that we are one nation working together – gay, straight, black and white – in order for us all to be successful."

Dromm concluded, "The only way we will ever live Dr. King's dream is if we all unite, regardless of our differences, around a common cause of economic justice for all."

For more information on the march, visit www.onenationworkingtogether.org.

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