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## **Governor Crist Names Julio Barroso of Key West as Point of Light for Hispanic Heritage Month**

TALLAHASSEE – Governor Charlie Crist today recognized Julio Barroso of Key West as this week's Point of Light in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month.

"Julio's tireless volunteerism with several organizations is representative of his strong commitment to improving the health and livelihood of his community," said Governor Crist. "His humble leadership in the Hispanic community and beyond is an inspiration to all those who are fortunate enough to serve alongside him."

Julio's community leadership and desire to help others is evidenced by his involvement with numerous non-profit agencies and civic organizations such as Wesley House Family Services, the Cancer Foundation of the Florida Keys, and Big Brothers Big Sisters. Known as a humble and hard worker by his colleagues, Julio is often sought after by volunteer organizations in need of a highly qualified and dedicated volunteer.

As a public relations professional, Julio uses his background in promotions and communication to support the messaging of non-profit organizations. Julio helps organizations utilize modern outreach platforms such Facebook, Twitter and other web-based communication. His efforts have helped generate support from a wide variety of community members.

"Julio quietly goes about helping many in our community, whether through the boards on which he serves, or in his own quiet way," said co-worker Kim Free. "What makes his accomplishments more significant than others is that he achieved them all with the desire that the spotlight be cast not on himself, but on those most in need."

AAA Auto Club South is the supporting sponsor of the Governor's Points of Light Award. This program recognizes Florida residents who demonstrate exemplary service to the community. Award recipients are announced weekly. A panel of judges comprised of leaders in the areas of volunteerism and service evaluate all nominations and make recommendations to the Governor. The Volunteer Florida Foundation manages the program. For more information, or to submit a nomination, go to [www.VolunteerFloridaFoundation.org](http://www.VolunteerFloridaFoundation.org).

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