(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Finds that due to the massive devastation inflicted on the city of New Orleans by hurricane Katrina on August 29, 2005, the city of New Orleans will not be able to meet its obligation to host the national lieutenant governors' association's annual conference scheduled for July 17 through July 19, 2006.

Finds that, in recognition of the unprecedented situation created by this natural disaster, the high national visibility of this important event, and due to the limited amount of time remaining for planning and fund-raising, it is necessary to initiate fund-raising activities for this national conference as soon as possible and with the assurance that all statewide elected officials, legislators, and authorized executive and legislative staff are allowed to solicit the necessary donations to effectively host this event.