MEMORANDUM

November 3, 2010

Dear FIU Family,

Please join me in congratulating the FIU alumni who were elected to U.S. Congress and the Florida Legislature in yesterday’s historic midterm elections.

Whether they were re-elected to office or are taking office for the first time, each one of them is an example of how an FIU education gives you the tools to not only compete in today’s global marketplace but to make a difference.

These are the FIU alumni who were elected to office:

**Ileana Ros-Lehtinen ’75, MS ’87** was re-elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, representing Florida’s 18th Congressional District. Ileana, who has served in Congress since 1989, holds a bachelor’s degree in education and a master’s degree in educational leadership from FIU.

**David Rivera ’86, MPA ’94** was elected to his first term in the U.S. House of Representatives, representing Florida’s 25th Congressional District. David, who holds a bachelor’s degree in political science and a master’s degree in public administration from FIU, has served in the Florida House of Representatives since 2002. With David’s victory we now have two FIU alumni in Congress.

**Anitere Flores ’97** was elected to represent state Senate District 38 after six years in the state House of Representatives, where she represented District 114, which includes our university. Anitere, who is FIU’s director of community and civic partnerships, also holds a bachelor’s degree in political science and international relations from FIU.

**Rene Garcia ’99** was elected to his first term in the state Senate, representing District 40. Rene, who graduated with a bachelor’s degree in political science from FIU while serving on the Hialeah City Council, served in the state House of Representatives from 2000-2008.

**Ana Rivas Logan ’88** was elected to her first term in the state House of Representatives, representing District 114. Ana has a bachelor’s degree in computer science from FIU and has served on the Miami-Dade School Board since 2004.

**Jeanette Nuñez ’94, MPA ’98** also was elected to her first term in the state House of Representatives, representing District 112. Jeanette, who is vice president of external affairs at Kendall Regional Medical Center and Aventura Medical Center, has a bachelor’s degree in international relations and political science and a master’s in public administration from FIU.
Esteban Bovo ’87 was re-elected to Florida House District 110. Before he was elected to the Legislature, Esteban served on the Hialeah City Council from 1998-2008. He has a bachelor’s degree in political science from FIU.

Mark Pafford ’88 was re-elected to Florida House District 88 in Palm Beach County. Mark has a bachelor’s in public administration from FIU.

Trudi Williams ’81 was re-elected to Florida House District 75 in Southwest Florida, representing parts of Collier and Lee counties. Trudi has a bachelor’s degree in civil engineering from FIU.

Once again, congratulations to all the members of the FIU family who were elected and to all of the winners in yesterday’s elections.

Sincerely,

Mark B. Rosenberg
President