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## **THE GREATER NAPLES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF COLLIER COUNTY FORM PARTNERSHIP TO GET OUT THE VOTE**

Naples, FL, – October 11, 2006 – The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce and the League of Women Voters of Collier County (LWVCC) are pleased to announce their new partnership to increase voter participation in the election process.

Both organizations seek to improve voter participation in the November election, given the less-than-20% voter turnout in the primary. Their new partnership is a natural, given this shared goal.

"The Chamber is delighted to partner with the League to encourage all working men and women to vote," said Chamber President Mike Reagen. "The character of a community is determined by the degree of participation of all its citizens. Our right to vote is precious and all should be encouraged to exercise that right."

"As a nonpartisan political organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, our goal is to encourage and empower citizens to shape better communities," said LWVCC President Chris Straton. "We are excited about the opportunity to work with The Chamber to increase voter participation in the upcoming election and in the years to come."

The partnership recently launched a series of email communications to The Chamber's more than 1700 member businesses. The first communication urged recipients to register to vote, and provided details on how to do so. The remaining communications will focus on the when – where – why – and how of voting.

Anyone wishing to obtain copies of these communications for further distribution can request them from the League at [lwvcc@lwvcolliercounty.org](mailto:lwvcc@lwvcolliercounty.org).

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