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FIRST GOP DEBATE SET FOR NEWBERRY

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Newberry, SC -- The Republican Parties of Newberry and Laurens County are pleased to announce that the "First in the State GOP Gubernatorial Debate" will be held at the historic Newberry Opera House on the evening of Tuesday, September 22, 2009 at 7pm.

Newberry County GOP Chairman Chad Connelly said that he and Laurens County GOP Chairman Bobby Smith, had already received verbal commitments from all six of the reported potential candidates for the GOP gubernatorial nomination.

"With all of the attention on the governor's office and the direction that the Obama Administration has taken our country, we believe this election may very well help determine whether our state and nation continue the slide toward socialism and government-run private businesses or we in South Carolina can help turn President Obama's takeover of our nation's economy."

Tickets are available from the Newberry County GOP and the Laurens County GOP. In addition, there are sponsorships available and a drop-in reception will be held for the candidates and sponsors at 6pm on September 22 at the Opera House.

WHO: Six reported GOP candidates for Governor
WHAT: The first official GOP debate of the 2010 cycle
WHERE: The world-renowned Newberry Opera House
WHEN: September 22, 7PM
*** MEDIA SETUP TIME: 5:30 PM ***

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