

ADDENDUM TO BLUEPRINT CONTRACT WITH STATE LEGISLATORS

March 2009

As sitting state legislators (2008-12 term) who signed the original Blueprint Louisiana contract during the 2007 election cycle, we agree with Blueprint Louisiana that essential changes are needed to fundamentally improve our state. Together, we are working to create the state we deserve and will continue to pursue the remaining elements of the Blueprint Agenda.

- **Prepare Students for a Lifetime of Success.** Funding for the LA 4 expansion, approximately \$10.5 million for fiscal year 2009-10
- **Develop the Skilled Workforce We Need.** Funding from the FY 2008 surplus for centers of excellence within the Louisiana Community and Technical College System to meet workforce needs in key, in-demand sectors.
- **Build a Superior Transportation System and Coastal Restoration and Hurricane Protection.** Funding from the FY 2008 surplus for additional transportation needs and coastal restoration and hurricane protection projects.
- **Provide First-Class Access to Health Care.** Continued pursuit of a health care redesign in the state to better serve the uninsured and more efficiently utilize providers and available funding.

As a current member of the Louisiana Legislature for the 2008-12 term, we also will work to achieve legislatively the following new agenda item that is summarized here and detailed at www.blueprintlouisiana.org.

Create a Knowledge-Based, Innovation-Driven Economy. Louisiana must begin now to build and position its economy to grow and thrive in the years and decades ahead. This involves two steps: (1) shift to a performance-based formula to fund higher education – to reward the results we need to transform our economy; and (2) create a Louisiana Research Alliance (modeled after highly successful research alliance organizations in other states) to guide state investments to support diversification and growth of Louisiana’s economy. In today’s world, economic development and postsecondary education must be directly linked.

By signing this document, I indicate my continued support for the goals of Blueprint Louisiana and my willingness to actively work toward these goals and for passage of necessary legislation.

Print Legislator Name

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It's time to create the state we deserve.

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