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**Representative Kevin Ambler Receives Florida Chiropractic Association
2009 D.I. Rainey Award**

TAMPA, FL—Representative Kevin Ambler (R-Lutz) was presented with the 2009 Florida Chiropractic Association D.I. Rainey Award at the Association's Annual Convention held in Orlando, FL this past weekend. This distinguished award was presented by Jack Hebert, Government Relations Director for the FCA. The Florida Chiropractic Association was established in 1931 with a core mission of protecting the welfare of its members by advocating on their behalf throughout the State and educating the public on issues relating to the chiropractic profession.

The D.I. Rainey Award recognized Representative Ambler's outstanding contribution to quality health care for the citizens of Florida. "I am deeply honored to have been recognized by the FCA with this award. I have always considered myself to be a team player with the FCA and the chiropractic physicians they represent," said Ambler. "I am not just a fan, I am a patient. I credit my recovery from a near fatal accident 4 years ago, and my ability to walk today to chiropractic medicine and acupuncture." He added, "We are all in this together working for a common goal--to ensure Floridians receive the best possible affordable health care with the ability to always be able to choose the doctor that is best for their needs."

Debra Minor Brown, Chief Executive Officer of the Florida Chiropractic Association had this to say, "The D. I. Rainey Award recognizes outstanding legislative achievement. Representative Ambler received this award because he has demonstrated outstanding leadership, a high level of effectiveness and a passionate dedication to serving his constituents."

This year as the 2008 House Health Appropriations Chairman, Representative Ambler diligently worked to prevent chiropractic services from being eliminated from Medicaid. He is also proud to have been a key player last year in getting legislation passed to restore No-Fault Benefits that Floridians have come to count on if they are injured in an auto accident (the so-called Personal Injury Protection benefits or PIP). "Chiropractic physicians

are frequently the first health care providers involved in treating these accident victims. Eliminating the ability of these patients to pay for such care would have been wrong and resulted in patients not getting the medical help they really need when they need it most. We just couldn't let the insurance companies put their motive of increasing their profits ahead of doing what's right for all Floridians", said Ambler. "On this issue, our team intercepted the ball and took it all the way into the end zone, with the winners being the people we have sworn an oath to protect."

Representative Kevin Ambler has been proudly serving the people of the Northwest Hillsborough County area for over 7 years. Recently, he has been recognized by other key members of the Health Care community and has received the "2009 Legislator of the Year Award" from the following organizations: the Florida Health Care Association, the Association of Florida Public Hospitals, the Safety Net Hospital Alliance of Florida, the Florida Association of Rehabilitation Facilities, the Florida Pharmacy Association and the Florida Association of Assisted Living Facilities.

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