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APRIL IS FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH

"YOUR MONEY MATTERS"

Idaho Financial Literacy Coalition Sponsors a Free Financial Education Conference

Boise, ID—Gavin Gee, director of the Idaho Department of Finance is pleased to announce that the department will participate in the upcoming conference, "**Your Money Matters.**"

"The need for financial education in Idaho has never been greater. That is why we have partnered with other government agencies and the private sector to offer this valuable financial education conference and encourage Idahoans to participate," Gee said.

The Idaho Financial Literacy Coalition, a JumpStart affiliate, is offering this **free** financial education conference on Friday, April 10, 2009. Idaho State Treasurer Ron Crane will deliver the keynote address.

In breakout sessions, the conference will address such topics as:

- Consumer Lending
- Credit and Credit Scores
- Beginning Home Ownership/Being a Good Homeowner
- Consumer Debt Elimination
- Social Security
- Identity Theft Avoidance Tips
- Retirement Savings Preservation
- Spending Plans and Smart Dollar Decisions
- Financial Planning

The department will present information during a breakout session titled "Credit and Credit Scoring" and will be handing out free educational materials during the breakout.

In addition to valuable financial information, the conference offers free refreshments. The conference will be held on **April 10, 2009 from 8:30a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Nampa Civic Center** (311 Third St. South, Nampa).

Reservations are requested by April 8. Please RSVP at (208) 378-0200 x 777.

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Department of Finance Press Releases and a schedule of events during Financial Literacy Month can be found on the Internet via the worldwide web at <http://finance.idaho.gov> and may be obtained by contacting the Department at (208) 332-8000 or Idaho toll-free at 1-888-346-3378.