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U.S. Senator Ruben Gallego to Address NALEO 43rd Annual Conference

Arizona Senator to provide keynote remarks at Wednesday breakfast, offering insights on national priorities and Latino leadership

LOS ANGELES, CA – The National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) announced today that the **Honorable Ruben Gallego, United States Senator from Arizona**, will address attendees at the NALEO 43rd Annual Conference, the nation's largest and most prestigious gathering of Latino policymakers. Senator Gallego will join Conference attendees on **Wednesday, July 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.** during the three-day gathering, taking place at the InterContinental Los Angeles Downtown. The Conference brings together hundreds of Latino elected and appointed officials, civic leaders, and policy experts from across the country to discuss the most pressing issues facing their communities.

"Senator Ruben Gallego has dedicated his career to expanding opportunity, strengthening communities, and ensuring that the voices of Latino families are represented at every level of government," said **Erica Bernal-Martinez, CEO of NALEO and the NALEO Educational Fund.** "We are honored to welcome Senator Gallego to the NALEO Annual Conference, where his perspective on national priorities and public service will provide valuable insights to Latino leaders working to strengthen their communities and shape the future of our country."

Each year, the NALEO Annual Conference convenes hundreds of Latino policymakers and community leaders to engage in critical conversations on the most pressing issues impacting the nation. Through policy discussions, leadership development, and the exchange of ideas, the Conference equips attendees with the tools and strategies needed to govern effectively and strengthen civic engagement.

In addition to Senator Gallego's address, Conference attendees will hear from prominent national and state leaders, including U.S. Senator Alex Padilla, former U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro, former U.S. Ambassador to Mexico and former U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar, President pro Tempore of the California State Senate Monique Limón, Speaker of the California State Assembly Robert Rivas, Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass, New Orleans Mayor Helena Moreno, and San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria.

WHO
The Honorable Ruben Gallego
United States Senator, Arizona

WHAT
Wednesday Breakfast Address
NALEO 43rd Annual Conference

WHEN
Wednesday, July 15, 2026

WHERE
InterContinental Los Angeles Downtown
900 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90017

Additional information, including the Conference agenda and speaker updates, is available here.

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About NALEO
The National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials is the nonpartisan leadership organization of the nation's more than 8,000 Latino elected and appointed officials.