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### WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

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You should know that even though the New York State Senate's 2014 Session will end on June 19th, on that day I will be bringing close to 5,000 people to Washington to attend the Second Annual March for Marriage in Washington, D.C., organized by my friend and tireless supporter of traditional marriage, Brian Brown, President of the National Organization of Marriage.

You should know that last year, Brian Brown and the National Organization for Marriage organized the First March for Marriage in Washington, D.C., my fellow ministers from the New York Hispanic Clergy Organization and I were invited to attend. Brian Brown provided us with 32 buses that were filled to capacity by Pentecostal ministers and our congregations.

This year, the National Organization of Marriage is providing us with close to 100 buses with the capacity of 55 passengers each from the Metropolitan area, and more than 100 Hispanic ministers and our congregations will be attending the Second Annual March for Marriage!

It is important for you to know that these buses that will be leaving New York have been offered to ministers without charge nor cost, and are being paid for in full by the National Organization for Marriage. The Hispanic ministers and congregants who will be attending the all-night prayer vigil of buses bound for D.C. will be praying and praising the Lord for his many blessings.

You should also know that even though the New York State Legislature voted to approve the legality of same-sex marriage, we will still keep fighting the good fight and providing testimony that there are millions and millions of Americans who believe that the people should be allowed to vote on this matter. This way, instead of judges and legislators imposing their definition of marriage on our society, the people can decide once and for all.

My dear reader, according to most polls, people in this country are in favor of same-sex marriage - so why not allow for a free election on the matter? We live in America where people decide in free elections and the majority rules - so why not allow the people to vote on this very serious social issue?

You should know that I have been invited to join a list of speakers on June 19th that includes dignitaries such as former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee, Pennsylvania's former U.S. Senator Rick Santorum, and many other champions for marriage and family. It will be my honor to be on the stage with these great Americans.

While we are in D.C. on June 19th, we will also be kneeling in prayer in front of the Supreme Court, thanking God for the recent Supreme Court victory that protects the practice of

public prayer at the beginning of government meetings.

Ladies and gentlemen, once again, I want to express my appreciation for the efforts of the National Organization for Marriage throughout the nation as they stand for marriage, and the opportunity they have given to us to go to Washington to make use of our Constitutional right of freedom of expression, freedom of religious, and freedom to assemble. My ministers and I - along with our congregations - are honored to be able to join them once again in D.C. and be a part of this very blessed event.

This is Senator Rev. Rubén Díaz, and this is what you should know.