## You are cordially invited to

a regional gathering of emergency responders, elected officials and leaders in academia, business, relief and faith-based organizations to recognize the Galveston Model for the

## National Blueprint for Secure Communities







Honorable Mayor Lyda Ann Thomas and City Council of the City of Galveston and Governor James S. Gilmore, III, Chairman of the National Council on Readiness and Preparedness

Galveston Island Convention Center, 5600 Seawall Boulevard, Galveston, Texas

Thursday, January 18, 2007 – 7:30 am to 1 pm

Uniformed Responders Welcome

Co-Hosts: County of Galveston, Galveston Chamber of Commerce, Galveston Economic Development Partnership, Port of Galveston, The University of Texas Medical Branch NCORP is a non-profit and non-partisan organization devoted to strengthening community-level homeland security.

## Are you prepared for the first 72 hours after a disaster or attack? What assets could your organization pledge in advance? What agreements are in place?

Join us to further develop the *National Blueprint for Secure Communities:* A resource of readiness best practices based on public and private partnerships.

Program Highlights - January 18, 2007

7:30 am Registration and Coffee

8:30 am Welcoming Remarks - Honorable Lyda Ann Thomas, Mayor, City of Galveston and Governor James S. Gilmore, III, (Virginia 1998–2002), Chairman, NCORP

10:00 - 11:00 am Community & Press Briefing

11:30 am **2007** National Blueprint Best Practice Award Ceremony honoring Mayor Lyda Ann Thomas and the Mayor's Citizen Response Teams to support Special Needs Evacuation

11:45 am Working Group & Box Lunch to review and refine the Galveston Model of Readiness and Response, a blueprint for Public and Private Partnerships in support of Community, Business and Port Continuity following disaster

1 pm Adjournment

Please register early to attend and reserve a box lunch by January 11, 2007 by e-mailing Galveston@ncorp.org; or by registering on-line at www.ncorp.org/galveston.

For registration inquiries please e-mail Galveston@ncorp.org. To inquire about NCORP sponsorship opportunities please call Ms. Wyatt at 703-399-6929.

The Galveston Model of readiness and response will be showcased at NCORP's *National Congress for Secure Communities* in Washington, DC on February 22-23, 2007.

Visit www.nationalblueprint.org to submit your National Blueprint recommendations.



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