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DEMOCRATIC CARIBBEAN CAUCUS OF FLORIDA



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Evelyn Garcia, a Haitian-American, is president of the Palm Beach County chapter of the

Democratic Caribbean

Caucus of Florida and has served on the Palm Beach Democratic Executive Committee for the past two years, is the first Haitian elected from Florida to the Democratic National Committee (DNC).

Evelyn is 1 of 10 Democrats elected on December 20, 2008 at the Florida Democratic Party State election of its officers. The DNC is the administrative governing board for the Democratic Parties' in all 50 states in America. The DNC sets policy for the Democratic Party, raises money, plans the Democratic National Conventions and helps to set the political platforms at the national conventions. In August, Evelyn represented Florida as a Barack Obama delegate at the Democratic National Convention.

Evelyn explained, she hopes to use her elected DNC post to bring attention to Florida's Caribbean community, which is quickly becoming a major voting bloc for the Democratic Party. Evelyn states, "In Haiti,

as in many other Caribbean nations, we don't have a strong heritage of seeing candidates competing for posts and being elected. I just took to it like a duck to water. I just really love it."

Evelyn Garcia became a Palm Beach County resident with her husband Guy approximately 4 years ago and got involved politically. She stated with the United Haitian American Democratic Club of Palm Beach and also Chapter President of the Democratic Caribbean Caucus of Florida (DCCCF). "I think it is pretty exciting for the county and the party to have someone representing it on that level," said Steve Nichol, communications director for the Democratic Party of Palm Beach County

Dr. Thomas K. Pinder, State President of the Democratic Caribbean Caucus of Florida (DCCCF), said, "Caribbean people everywhere are happy and proud to see Evelyn Garcia elected to that position. She is an asset to our country, state and the Democratic Party. I am convinced with her eclectic insight, Evelyn will be an outstanding credit to the Democratic National Committee.