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Floridians,

Sunday, November 3 at 2 a.m. marks the end of Daylight Saving Time. I encourage Floridians to check their smoke alarms as they adjust their clocks. Replace batteries in all smoke alarms as needed and test them to ensure they are working properly. With roughly **3 out of 5** fire deaths happening in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms testing your alarm is vital.

This week, the Federal Trade Commission announced members of the military will have access to free tools to help spot identity theft. As of yesterday (October 31), the nationwide credit reporting agencies—Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion—will provide free electronic credit monitoring services to active-duty servicemembers and National Guard members. Florida's **65,000 active-duty** servicemembers are **twice as likely** to be targeted for scams. We must do everything possible to protect our service members and their families as they work to protect us at home and abroad. I encourage all eligible military service members who call the Sunshine State home to take advantage of this service to better protect themselves.

This weekend there's an important event for Panhandle insurance policyholders. If you are having issues with your Hurricane Michael insurance claim Saturday is a perfect opportunity to join ICA Tasha Carter to ensure your voice is heard.





Your ICA Wants to Hear from You:

Hurricane Michael Insurance Consumer Townhall

As your Insurance Consumer Advocate, I want to hear directly from you about your insurance claims experience during Hurricane Michael. I cordially invite you to attend the Townhall and share your experience with me.

****Rescheduled Date****

**Saturday, November 2, 2019
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

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