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****FRIDAY****

Terry Goddard to Talk with Homeowners Facing Foreclosure

(Phoenix, Ariz. — July 29, 2009) Attorney General Terry Goddard will deliver remarks at the Hope Now Alliance Forum, a two-day program for South Mountain-area homeowners at risk of foreclosure, on Friday at 2:30 p.m.

The forum will take place Friday, July 31 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, August 1 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at South Mountain High School, 5401 S. 7th Street in Phoenix.

The two-day forum is an opportunity for homeowners to meet one-on-one with lenders, servicers and housing counselors to discuss workout options to avoid foreclosure. Twenty-two lenders are expected to participate.

The forum will also offer informational presentations on avoiding loan modification scams and crisis budgeting. Attorney General's Office staff will be on hand throughout the forum to provide information on common foreclosure-related frauds and scams.

This forum is the latest effort in the Attorney General's ongoing work to protect Arizona homeowners from financial fraud, including foreclosure rescue scams and loan modification scams. Earlier this month, Goddard traveled to Washington to meet with senior officials from the U.S. Treasury Department, U.S. Department of Justice and several state Attorneys General to discuss improved coordination in mortgage fraud enforcement actions.

Following that meeting, Goddard led a delegation of six state Attorneys General in making recommendations to Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Secretary Shaun Donovan for critical improvements in loan modification programs offered by mortgage lenders and servicers. A copy of that letter, sent Friday, is attached.

Event Information

What: Attorney General Goddard Remarks
At Hope Now Alliance Forum

When: Friday, July 31
2:30 p.m.

Where: South Mountain High School
5401 S. 7th St.
Phoenix, Ariz.

Note: This event is open to the media.

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