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Dear Friends,

It is my honor and privilege to welcome you to the Northwest Florida Boricua Ausentes's (NWFBA) 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Latin Salsa Festival.

This celebration serves as an opportunity for those of Latin American heritage to come together and share in their rich traditions. As Americans, it is important that we sustain the cultural identities and roots of our ancestors. It is those diverse backgrounds and perspectives that help make the United States the greatest nation on earth.

I am proud that the NWFBA is using this event to serve a second purpose in addition to the cultural celebration. A portion of the festival's proceeds will go to AMIKids, Emerald Coast. This program strives to help youth in the community work toward a brighter future. The innovative staff has already helped 105,000 children focus on their educations and pursue their dreams.

I hope everyone greatly enjoys this year's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Latin Salsa Festival. Thank you again to NWFBA for hosting this celebratory event and helping AMIKids enjoy its continued success.

Sincerely,



Marco Rubio  
United States Senator