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SENATOR MORRELL WELCOMES LEGISLATORS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY TO THE FOURTH ANNUAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

District 3 State Senator Jean-Paul "J.P" Morrell (D- New Orleans), Chair of the Senate Committee on Environmental Quality, welcomes 50 legislators from the ten Mississippi River Corridor states to the Fourth Annual Mississippi River Environmental Forum. Louisiana is hosting the forum this year in New Orleans and participants will discuss the history of the Mississippi River, the dead zone in the gulf and the impact of climate change on the south among many other important topics.

"We share this vital national resource known as the Mississippi River," said Sen. Morrell. "It is not only important to our economy but also to our communities and way of life. It is important that we preserve and enhance it, and that is what we are here to discuss."

The Annual Mississippi River Environmental Forum is organized by the National Caucus of Environmental Legislators. The Caucus was founded in 1996 to provide environmentally progressive legislators with an opportunity to coordinate their activities with respect to national legislative organizations and to share ideas both on affirmative and negative environmental issues.

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