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## Florida Credit Union Association Board of Trustees Formally Backs Alex Sink for Congressional District 13

- *The LSCU represents 279 credit unions*
- *Sink's strong financial background led to endorsement*

**TALLAHASSEE, FL** — January 31, 2014, The Florida Credit Union Association (FCUA), an affiliate of the League of Southeastern Credit Unions & Affiliates (LSCU), board of directors announces its endorsement of Democrat Alex Sink for Florida's Congressional District 13 in the March 11 Special Election. This is the seat formerly held by Rep. Bill Young (R) who passed away in October of 2013.

Since her days as Florida's Chief Financial Officer, Sink has fostered a solid working relationship with credit unions. She has made numerous visits to meet with credit union CEOs during her career. She has also spoken at LSCU events and met with the League's Governmental Affairs staff to gain a greater understanding of credit union issues. Sink's longtime support of the credit union industry, along with her expertise in the financial services industry, makes her an ideal candidate for credit unions.

"Alex has a keen understanding of the difficulties facing credit unions today," said LSCU & Affiliates President/CEO Patrick La Pine. "She realizes that credit unions play an important role in helping Americans, as well as Floridians, get on solid financial footing. Her background in financial services gives her an instant knowledge base on today's complex financial issues and regulations."

"Receiving the support of the Florida Credit Union Association's Board of Directors means a lot to me," said Sink. "Credit unions are a diverse group that mirrors our local communities. They are working to help Floridians get affordable loans as well as providing financial counseling so members can get out of debt and begin saving money. All of these services are crucial to the continued economic success of District 13 and the state of Florida"

Sink's career spans public service and the financial services industry. She served as Florida's Chief Financial Officer from 2006 to 2010. She was appointed by former Gov. Lawton Chiles to the Commission on Government Accountability to the People, and also served on Gov. Chiles' Commission on Education. She was vice-chair of Florida TaxWatch. In 2010, she ran for governor of Florida.

The special election for Congressional District 13 will be March 11 and the winner will serve the rest of Rep. Young's term.

*The League of Southeastern Credit Unions represents 279 credit unions in Alabama and Florida with a combined total of \$65 billion in assets and more than 6.5 million members. LSCU provides advocacy and regulatory information; education and training; cooperative initiatives (including financial education outreach); media relations and information; and business solutions. For more information, visit [www.lscu.coop](http://www.lscu.coop). Follow the League on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#).*

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