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NFIB Senior Fellow for Health & Economics to Speak at Industrial Association of Quincy Annual Meeting

Dr. Robert F. Graboyes, a Senior Fellow for Health and Economics at the NFIB Research Foundation in Washington, DC., is the featured speaker at the Industrial Association of Quincy 2011 Annual Meeting on Monday, August 15th. The luncheon will be held at noon in the Hall of Fame Room at the Quincy University Health and Fitness Center. Tickets are available by calling Great River Economic Development Foundation at 217.223.4313 or downloading the registration form at www.gredf.org.

Dr. Graboyes will give a speech entitled, **Healthcare Reform: How High's the Water, Mama?**. "The 2010 healthcare law is washing across American business and will profoundly complicate the relationships between employer, employee, and government," said Dr. Graboyes. "I will talk about sandbags and high ground for the years ahead."

In his role at the NFIB, Dr. Graboyes analyzes federal and state healthcare legislation from the perspective of small business. He also teaches health economics in master's and doctoral programs at Virginia Commonwealth University, the University of Virginia, and George Mason University.

Previously, Dr. Graboyes was Chase Manhattan Bank's economist for sub-Saharan Africa, economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, and associate professor at the University of Richmond. In 2000 and 2007, he was Visiting Scholar at the Kazakhstan School of Public Health in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

He has a Ph.D. in Economics from Columbia University, master's degrees from the College of William and Mary, Columbia University and Virginia Commonwealth University, and a bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia. His recent writings can be found at www.NFIB.com/DrBob.

Industrial Association of Quincy

- Industrial Association of Quincy has been in existence since 1945.
- IAQ membership has remained constant and includes both large and small industry, transportation, utilities and the financial and medical sectors.
- IAQ's number one priority is to ensure the voice of industry is heard. IAQ continues to be an advocate for business and industry both in Springfield and Washington D.C. This has become more important as the cost of doing business escalates.
- IAQ is proud of the continued strong alliance with the AAIM Employers' Association and the Workforce Investment Board of Western Illinois.
- IAQ continues to have a strong voice in workforce development and infrastructure issues throughout the region.

- Through The Quincy Entrepreneurship Center, IAQ uses the resources of the Illinois Office of Trade and the International Trade Center to assist local businesses in international markets.
- IAQ partnership with GREDF remains strong. GREDF has acted as IAQ facilitator for the past 10 plus years and together the organizations support the Tri-State Summit and Mid America Intermodal Port project among other initiatives.
- IAQ Executive Committee includes: Jack Sharkey, Sharkey Transportation, president; Harry Marcionetti, Knapheide Manufacturing, vice president; and Tim Finlay, ADM Alliance Nutrition, secretary/treasurer.

Reservations for the August 15th luncheon at the Quincy University Health and Fitness Center Hall of Fame Room may be made by contacting GREDF, which serves as IAQ facilitator, at 217-223-4313 or gredf@gredf.org. A registration form is also available for download at www.gredf.org. The cost is \$15 per person. Tables of seven are available.

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