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Treasurer Giannoulis promotes business loan programs “Employ Illinois” funds business expansion

Representatives from Illinois State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulis’ Office and the Polish National Alliance will host an Economic Forum for the Polish American Business Community.

The Economic Forum is scheduled for 7 to 9 p.m., Thursday, June 28 at the Polish National Alliance Headquarters, 6100 N. Cicero Ave. in Chicago.

This forum is co-hosted by President Frank Spula and the Polish National Alliance. The event presents a unique opportunity to learn about current financial issues, network with other business professionals and allow business leaders the chance to be introduced and reacquainted with the many programs the Treasurer’s Office has to offer.

One of the featured programs is Employ Illinois. Under Employ Illinois, the Treasurer’s Office backs low-interest loans to Illinois businesses that create jobs. The Treasurer’s Office deposits up to \$10 million in a local financial institution, lowering the interest rate on a business loan for up to five years.

“Access to capital is access to power and self-determination, allowing business owners to expand their businesses and employ more workers,” Giannoulis said. “A strong, local business industry lends itself to a healthy community.”

For more information contact Charles Komosa at (312) 814-1286 or Michael Smith at (312) 814-8951. One presenter is fluent in the Polish language.

TIME: 7 to 9 p.m.
DATE: Thursday, June 28
PLACE: Polish National Alliance Headquarters
6100 N. Cicero Ave.
Chicago