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**Representative Passidomo Recognized**

**Collier** – The Tobacco-Free Collier Partnership and the Tobacco Prevention Network of Florida recognized Representative Kathleen Passidomo as a tobacco-free policy champion on Tuesday, July 19, 2011. "I am truly honored to receive this recognition. My top priority in the Legislature is to represent the interests of my constituents in Collier County, and to receive an award for doing just that is very meaningful for me," exclaimed Representative Passidomo. Representative Passidomo was presented a plaque acknowledging her hard work and dedication spearheading HB 211 during the 2011 Legislative Session. This bill would have edited the Florida Clean Indoor Air Act by limiting state preemption of regulation of smoking to indoor areas only, therefore, giving back the control to local government to make tobacco-free outdoor space policies. HB 211 went through sub-committees, but unfortunately died in the Health & Human Services Quality Subcommittee. Undeterred, Passidomo plans to continue to promote this legislation in the next session.

Several representatives from the Tobacco-Free Collier Partnership were in attendance.

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