

This month I will be sworn in for a sixth term in office. It is an honor and a privilege to continue serving the people of California's 42nd Congressional District. As always, I will work with my colleagues in Congress to fight for the issues that matter to Southern California and our nation.

In this next session of Congress, I will continue to work to address the financial markets crisis. As a member of the House Committee on Financial Services, I will advocate for taxpayer-friendly and fiscally responsible solutions to unfreeze credit. It is vital for Southern Californians with good credit to have access to home, auto, and student loans and also ensure that small businesses are able to keep their businesses open and their employees paid.

Further, as a member of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, I will continue to work diligently to ensure California receives its fair share of federal transportation dollars to improve safety and alleviate congestion on the freeways we rely upon everyday. I will also work to enhance Southern California's water supply and provide necessary infrastructure improvements to the region.

It is also crucial that we reduce our nation's costly dependence on foreign energy resources by encouraging the production of more energy here at home. This session, I will continue to advocate for a comprehensive approach that increases the supply of American-made energy, improves conservation and efficiency, and promotes renewable and alternative energy technologies.

In addition, one of my top priorities includes reforming our nation's flawed immigration policies and securing our borders. In the 111th Congress, I will reintroduce legislation that removes incentives and loopholes in our current laws that encourage illegal aliens to come to the United States to live, work, and overstay their visas. I will also work with my colleagues to give law enforcement the tools they need to protect our nation and communities.

Since being elected to Congress, I have prioritized the needs and interests of California's 42nd Congressional District in crafting policy and legislation. The quality of life for Southern Californians rests on addressing critical national security and economic concerns, as well as providing innovative solutions to meet regional needs.

As our nation, as well as Southern California, currently faces historic and unprecedented challenges, we must come together to provide solutions for our country's needs. While the task at hand is difficult, we are a strong nation and can overcome any obstacle we confront.

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