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### **Statement by Congressman Gary Miller on House Passage of Deficit Reduction Legislation**

WASHINGTON, DC – This evening, the House of Representatives passed legislation to resolve the impasse over raising the nation’s debt ceiling. According to the Congressional Budget Office, deficit reduction under this legislation would total at least \$2.1 trillion over the FY 2012-2021 period.

After the House vote, Congressman Gary Miller issued the following statement:

“Though the legislation passed this evening is far from perfect, I supported it because it prevents a damaging national default, mandates spending cuts that exceed increases in the debt limit, and excludes job-killing tax increases that the President and congressional Democrats have been demanding to pay for their federal spending spree. Furthermore, the bill forces Congress and the Administration to make deeper cuts in spending and consider structural changes to address our nation’s long-term fiscal challenges before the President may seek additional borrowing authority.

Much more work remains to be done, however. To strengthen our economy we must stop spending money we do not have and passing the bill onto our children and grandchildren. Congress must ensure that these spending cuts and caps are strictly enforced, and enact measures to prevent future government overspending. While this proposal is not the ultimate cure to our nation’s spending and borrowing addiction, it does take significant steps to change the direction of our nation’s spending policies and get our fiscal house in order.”

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