

Congressman Al Green, Democrat, Texas – 9

Sworn In:

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Committee Assignments:

Financial Services Committee, Subcommittees on Housing and Financial Institutions
Science Committee, Subcommittees on Energy, and Space and Aeronautics

Major Legislative Accomplishments:

Resolution Commemorating Domestic Violence Awareness Month, H.Con.Res. 209

On September 27th, the House passed H.Con.Res. 209 by a ___ - ___ vote. The resolution, introduced by Rep. Green, commemorates Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Since 1987, the month of October has been observed as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. During this month, many committed organizations and individuals work to increase public awareness and the understanding of domestic violence, as well as the needs of battered women and children. Rep. Green was joined by Rep. Ginny Brown-Waite (R-FL), Co-Chair of the Congressional Caucus on Women's Issues, and 73 other bipartisan co-sponsors in support of the bill.

Green's Amendment to Restore Funding to Fight Housing Discrimination

On July 4th, the House of Representatives passed an amendment offered by Congressman Al Green to increase funding to curb housing discrimination by \$7.7 million. The amendment was accepted during debate of the Transportation, Treasury, HUD and Judiciary appropriations by a vote of 231 to 191. Green was joined by Representatives Barbara Lee, Alcee Hastings and Raul Grijalva, who served as co-sponsors.

Green Delivers Millions to Address Houston's Sorely-Needed Flood Infrastructure and Transportation Problems

Congressman Al Green secured \$12.8 million dollars in federal funds to address Houston's pervasive flood and transportation problems.

Green Secures Projects to Study Flood Damage Reduction Projects in Harris and Fort Bend Counties

Congressman Al Green secured projects under the Water Resources and Development Act that would authorize studies to determine more effective methods of alleviating flood waters in both Harris and Fort Bend Counties. These studies will help to reduce future flood losses by providing local flood control districts with a more accurate tool to identify flood-prone areas and methods to address the problem of flooding in the region.

Legislation Initiatives:

Equal Protection for All Workers Act, H.R. 3165

In the wake of the tragic March 23rd British Petroleum (BP) refinery explosion that killed fifteen contract workers and injured more than 100, Rep. Green introduced the H.R. 3165, the Equal Protection for All Workers Act. The bill amends the Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Act to provide for criminal liability for willful safety

standard violations resulting in the death of contract employees.

Build Houses for Our Military's Enlisted Servicemembers (Build HOMES) Act, H.R. 3186

On June 30th, Congressman Al Green teamed up with his colleague Representative Jim Ryun (R-KS) to introduce HR 3186, the Build Houses for Our Military's Enlisted Servicemembers (Build HOMES) Act, to provide more access to quality affordable housing for our men and women in uniform.

Child Abuse Reform and Enforcement (CARE) Act, H.R. 3582

On July 28th, Rep. Bob Ney (R-OH) introduced the CARE Act, along with Rep. Al Green as the chief original co-sponsor and Democratic lead. The bill would penalize States that make exceptions to sentencing guidelines for child molesters if the offender is family to the victim.