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Frank Lucas to Serve on House Committee January 11, 2009

Congressman Frank Lucas has been appointed to serve as a member of the House Committee on Financial Services and the House Committee on Science and Technology. In addition, last month he was appointed to serve as the Republican leader of the House Committee on Agriculture.

"I am honored to have been selected to serve as the Ranking Member of the House Agriculture Committee," stated Lucas. "I look forward to using my experience as an Oklahoma farmer and the knowledge I learned studying agriculture at Oklahoma State University to bring an Oklahoma perspective to this nation's farm policy."

The Financial Services Committee has jurisdiction over the country's housing and financial services sectors, including banking, real estate, and public housing, and has played a vital role in the ongoing discussions of our troubled financial markets.

This will be Lucas' eighth term on this committee. The Science and Technology Committee has jurisdiction over a variety of issues, including NASA, energy research and development, and scientific research and development. This will be Lucas' sixth term on this committee.

"I am pleased to be able to continue my service on these two committees," stated Lucas. "The next two years will present many challenges, especially with the recent turmoil in our financial markets, and I look forward to working with my colleagues to address these challenges."

This will mark Lucas' ninth term as a member of the United States House of Representatives, serving since he was first elected in 1994 when he replaced former Rep. Glenn English in a special election held in May 1994.