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Shuster Presents A Pledge to America House Republicans Offer a New Governing Agenda for the American People

Washington D.C. – Today, Congressman Shuster released the following statement after House Republicans presented *A Pledge to America*, a new governing agenda focused on addressing the American people's top priorities:

"Despite the American people's vocal opposition to the expansion of government, massive spending and the accumulation of crushing debt, those in power have carried out a job-killing, big-spending agenda that is exactly the opposite of Americans are calling for.

Along with all my House Republican colleagues, I have been listening and meeting with American families throughout the year, and we understand that the nation's focus is on issues like creating jobs, reining in spending and changing a dysfunctional Congress.

We have taken the priorities of the American people and put them together into an agenda that can by put into effect right now. That agenda is the "A *Pledge to America*." Through this pledge we are presenting a set of bold solutions, renewing a commitment to our founding principles and offering a new way of doing business in Washington.

With Americans looking for job creation, we are offering a jobs plan to end the economic uncertainty for American small businesses and make America more competitive. As massive debt threatens the prosperity of our children, we have a credible plan to rein in the budget deficit. To honor the will of the people, we have a plan to repeal the new health care law and replace it with solutions to bring down costs. And, as Americans increasingly view Congress as a broken institution, we offer a plan for reform to provide real accountability and transparency. The *Pledge* is an inspirational document but it goes beyond rhetoric. Each of the principles outlined in the *Pledge* is based on an actual piece of legislation that could be taken up in the House today if Speaker Pelosi decides to finally listen to the American people."

The *Pledge* is the culmination of a months-long engagement with the American people in which House Republicans sought their ideas and priorities for Congress. The agenda offers concrete solutions that can be implemented immediately to tackle the issues that are most important to the nation, including job creation, spending restraint, national security, health care, and reform to Congress itself. The full agenda, A Pledge to America, can be viewed here (link).

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