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## Shuster Condemns Democrats for Walking Away from their Responsibility to Approve a Budget for the Nation

*Washington, D.C.* –**Congressman Bill Shuster** released the following statement after Democrats in the House announced that they would not approve a budget for FY2011:

"Passing a budget is the most basic responsibility of a competent government and with today's announcement, Speaker Pelosi and her Democrat colleagues abdicated their responsibilities to the American people.

I am extremely disappointed to learn that the Democrat leadership in the House declared today they will not approve a budget resolution for fiscal year 2011.

The American people budget their spending habits every month and government should do no less. Even John Spratt, the Democrat Chairman of the Budget Committee said that 'if you can't budget, you can't govern.'

By their actions today, the Democrats have lived up to their own words and have failed to govern. Without a budget blueprint, there are no limits in place to guard against reckless spending. With government spending already at record levels there is no reason to believe it will slow and our \$1.5 trillion budget deficit will only grow larger.

It is past time for Democrats in Congress to listen to the American people and stop their continued profligate spending. We need a real budget in place complete with cost-cutting provisions and a blueprint to limit the growing debt."

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