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Friends,

Yesterday the nation was stunned by an act of senseless violence in Colorado.

There will be time to investigate the gunman's motives and bring him to justice, but this is a time to grieve with the families of those who have died and rally around the families of those who are injured.

Whether it's an attack on a northern Illinois college campus or an attack on a skyscraper, there's one thing Americans know how to do quite well: unite in the face of violence meant to cause chaos and terror.

We lift up Aurora, Colorado- as well as the recent victims of Chicago gun violence- in our thoughts and prayers this weekend.

In Service,



News from This Week: IL-14 Olympians, Monday Job Fair, Looming Sequester



MONDAY: CHICAGOLAND JOBS FAIR

Hosted by Reps. Randy Hultgren (IL-14), Peter Roskam (IL-06), Joe Walsh (IL-08) and Bob Dold (IL-10)

Monday, July 23, 2012

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Medinah Banquets, 550 North Shriners Lane, Addison, IL 60101

Six Olympians from Illinois' 14th District will compéte in the London games!

Click here to RSVP and see a full list of

What is a 'sequester'?

Last year, as part of the deficit reduction deal, Congress agreed to allow approximately \$1 trillion in spending cuts - half for defense, half for domestic spending- to go into effect on January 2, 2013.

No deal was made, so we now anticipate that this automatic trigger, known as the sequester, will go into effect.

The savings to the U.S. would be about 984 billion over 9 years, after accounting for 18 percent in debt service savings, but the immediate effects would be devastating. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta said, "Rough estimates suggest after ten years of these cuts, we would have the smallest ground force since 1940, the smallest number of ships since 1915,

and the smallest Air Force in history."

Unfortunately, only the administration- in other words, the President- knows what kind of impact the sequestration would have on individual agencies.

This week, I supported a bill passed by the House which would require the president to submit a report within 30 days detailing exactly which accounts will be sequestered, and by

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