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Dear Friends:

As we prepare to gather with family and friends this weekend, I just wanted to take a moment to wish you a safe and blessed Easter holiday.

This is also a good time to pause and reflect on where we are at and where we need to go as a country moving forward. The many challenges facing us have been well-documented; be they economic, social, or national security related. What has been less well-publicized, however, is the meaningful action taken in the U.S. House of Representatives in recent weeks to address many of our most pressing concerns.

Last week we acted boldly and passed a responsible plan to achieve a balanced budget, protect and strengthen Social Security and Medicare, reform and simplify the tax code, and chart a course to **more take-home pay, better jobs** and a **debt-free future** for American families.

We also acted to streamline our nation's workforce training system to help those looking for work find meaningful career opportunities through passage of the SKILLS Act; and this year I've introduced a plan to reduce and eliminate job-killing government regulations on employers and taxpayers that hinder, not help, economic growth.

You can learn more about H.R. 309, the Regulatory Sunset and Review Act, in last week's e-newsletter by clicking [HERE](#).

Below is a quick update on some of my activity from around the district this week; in particular my efforts to help revitalize our economy by supporting our local manufacturing industry - and fighting back against the Obama Administration's disproportionate slashing of programs at Fermilab, one of our most important local employers and a national leader in job-creating scientific research and innovation.

May you and your family enjoy a blessed Easter holiday. As always, thank you for the honor and privilege of serving you.

Sincerely Yours,

Randy Hultgren
Member of Congress
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Hultgren Honored for Supporting Manufacturing



On Monday, Congressman Hultgren was presented with the *Award for Manufacturing Legislative Excellence* from the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) at Bison Gear & Engineering in St. Charles. The award was given by Bison Chairman and NAM Board Member Ron Bullock and attended by a group of leaders in the local manufacturing industry. To learn more, click [HERE](#).

Fighting for Fermi: Hultgren Urges White House to Support Job-Creating Scientific Research

Government spends too much, taxes too much and regulates too much. That much we can agree on.

Congressman Hultgren has consistently supported responsible spending cuts; voting twice to pass a balanced approach to replace the recent meat-cleaver sequester cuts with a plan that targets the real waste, inefficiency and overreach of federal spending.

Congressman Hultgren's approach targets the areas government has no business being in and instead refocuses national priorities on meeting our most basic needs; including national defense, transportation infrastructure and supporting job-producing initiatives like the scientific research conducted at places like Batavia-based Fermilab, a major local employer and leading national research laboratory.

Fermilab announced Tuesday a steep 9% cut in funding - an amount nearly double the sequester level - produced by the Obama Administration's decision to drastically slash investment in High Energy Physics (HEP).

Congressman Hultgren is taking action:

"The work done by scientists and researchers like those at Fermilab is essential to our economy by unlocking untapped potential for growth across countless job-supporting industries.

On Friday, I sent a letter to the President co-signed by 17 members of Congress from around the country, Democrat and Republican, urging the White House to prioritize funding for essential scientific research and reverse their disproportionate slashing of the programs at Fermi; which threaten to undermine critical research and job creation initiatives at a time when we need them most.

"The Obama Administration has chosen to prioritize loan guarantees and industrial subsidies to their friends in the green energy business, rather than invest in the long-term scientific research that has the proven track record of benefiting our nation in every walk of life."

- Congressman Randy Hultgren

High Energy Physics has consistently led to breakthroughs that fuel economic growth, job creation and American competitiveness. Cancer treatments using proton and neutron therapy, MRI machines and the World Wide Web are all products of High Energy Physics research. Recently, the search and discovery of the Higgs Boson particle (aka "The God Particle") captured public attention like few other scientific accomplishments.

From all of us at Congressman Hultgren's Office, best wishes to you and your family for a Happy Easter!



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