

Statement from U.S. Rep. Richard Hanna on Spending Agreement

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Richard Hanna (R,C,I-New York) issued the following statement on news that a spending deal was reached to avoid a government shutdown:

“I am pleased that both sides came together to achieve a fiscally responsible spending plan that cuts almost \$40 billion in real spending.

“President Obama, Speaker Boehner and Senate leadership worked together to avoid a government shutdown that would have negatively impacted New Yorkers and all Americans. Importantly, this bill is free of distracting and divisive social policy riders, which I have opposed from the start.

“The American people expect Congress to restore fiscal responsibility to our nation. We must now redouble our focus on considering a Fiscal Year 2012 budget to foster an environment where private sector job creation can flourish.

“While Congress didn’t pass a budget last year, I am committed to expeditiously debating the long-term reforms that are vital to our nation’s future.

“The debate over the next few weeks will be intense to determine long-term fiscal reforms. I continue to welcome input from residents of the 24th Congressional District on issues that are important to all of us.”

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