

## Hanna Talks Business, Jobs in Norwich

**NORWICH, N.Y.**— U.S. Rep. Richard Hanna today is in Chenango County to speak with business leaders about the work he's doing at the federal level to create an environment where businesses can grow and create jobs.

Hanna met this morning with members of Commerce Chenango, the county's Chamber of Commerce. City officials, industrial development representatives, nonprofit leaders and a number of local business men and women told Hanna about the challenges they face in regard to government regulation.

"I joined the House Small Business Committee to focus on the backbone of America – our small businesses," Hanna said. "We don't do well as a nation unless businesses like those in Norwich and all over this nation excel."

Hanna spoke about steps he's taken to since being sworn in to Congress in January to ease regulation on businesses, including the first bill he co-sponsored: repealing the onerous 1099 provision in the health care law that forced small business to report to the IRS any purchases over \$600.

He also updated the group on local subjects including:

**Unison Industries** – Hanna visited the plant earlier this year and voted to support on the House floor to support its manufacturing of parts for GE's F-136 engine.

**Flood Insurance** – The Federal Emergency Management Agency is in the process of redrawing federal flood insurance maps across the country. Hanna co-sponsored H.R. 700, the Flood plain Maps Moratorium act to ensure there is a 5-year delay in the mandatory purchase requirement of insurance for homes in the new maps.

**Route 12 Corridor** – Hanna discussed being a member of the Transportation & Infrastructure Committee, which is drafting a new six-year surface transportation reauthorization. The bill will make certain that federal dollars are spent toward modernizing older road projects and

improving access, such as the Route 12 corridor.

After the meeting with Chamber members, Hanna toured the Northeast Classic Car Museum in Norwich.

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