

U.S. Representative Richard Hanna issued the following statement today:

"I'm pleased to see the extension of the payroll tax cut and unemployment insurance, as well as access to Medicare. This is what I called for days ago. It's a win for the middle class, job seekers, seniors, and physicians.

"Now let's get right to work on extending these provisions responsibly for the remainder of 2012.

"Upstate New Yorkers are tired of brinkmanship and pointless partisanship. I am, too. Leaders in Washington should resolve to focus on putting the people - not themselves - first in the New Year."