

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Rep. Doris Matsui voted for H.R.2638, the FY09 Continuing Resolution, which passed by a vote of 370-58. The continuing resolution funds the federal government and agencies until March, 2009.

“Although I wish we had been able to complete all of our bills this year, political stunts by the congressional minority and continued veto threats prevented us from doing so,” said Rep. Matsui. “The bill we passed today will fund the federal government until March, 2009. This CR makes a number of important investments in Sacramento projects and ensures that flood control projects will continue.”

In addition to funding numerous federal agencies and programs - including critical flood protection projects - the CR includes \$22.9 billion in disaster relief funding for those parts of the country affected by recent natural disasters. The CR also provides vital funding for Sacramento area initiatives. These include:

Former McClellan Air Force Base Infrastructure Improvements. \$2.4 million for the next phase of transportation improvements at the former McClellan Air Force Base.

Military Burn Trauma Research Program. \$4 million for burn victim clinical trials to improve treatment at the UC Davis Burn Center.

Defense Microelectronics Activity Funding. \$2 million to improve the manufacturing process behind microchips for defense applications at a Sacramento area Department of Defense facility.

Renewable Energy Testing Center. \$1.6 million to test renewable energy applications.

Hydrocarbon Boost Technology Demonstrator. \$1.4 million, to develop liquid

hydrocarbon rocket engine for military and NASA use.

Bone Marrow Failure Disorder Research. \$5 million for research of diseases such as aplastic anemia and MDS.

American Red Cross, Sacramento-Sierra Chapter. \$35,000 to help the American Red Cross upgrade the information technology system at their emergency operations center.

Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI). \$837.5 million for first responder funding for terrorism prevention, planning and response efforts.

National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC). Language establishing funding level at 23.78 million

“Sacramento is the capital of the most-populous state in the nation, with growing infrastructure needs, booming healthcare and renewable energy industries, an economy reeling from the housing crisis and ongoing flood control projects. The funding in this CR will help to spur job growth, assist with research efforts, and keep Sacramento a safe place to raise a family,” stated Congresswoman Matsui.

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