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Congresswoman Matsui Welcomes U.S. Health Secretary to Sacramento

Applauds Efforts of “Let’s Move” Campaign in Encouraging Healthy, Active Kids

SACRAMENTO, CA – Today, Congresswoman Doris O. Matsui (D-Sacramento) welcomed Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius to Sacramento, who was in town to celebrate the one-year anniversary of First Lady Michelle Obama’s “Let’s Move” Campaign. “Let’s Move” encourages our nation’s youth to be active, get exercise and eat healthy – behaviors that are proven to help students perform in school and lead happier, healthier lives.

“I welcome Secretary Sebelius to Sacramento, and whole-heartedly applaud both she and Michelle’s Obama’s leadership of the ‘Let’s Move’ campaign,” Congresswoman Matsui said. “In Sacramento, we have a strong partnership in support of ‘Let’s Move.’ The California Endowment’s Building Healthy Communities Program, the Will C. Wood Middle School, Mayor Kevin Johnson, the Sacramento Kings and the Sacramento City Unified School District have all shown their commitment to fostering healthier, happier students. I look forward to continuing to work with them and our many partners around the region as we continue to support the students and families of Sacramento.”

As a Member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, Congresswoman Matsui has been a consistent advocate for children’s health, and recently voted in support of the [S. 3307, the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act](#), which was signed into law by President Obama in December.

“Thanks to the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, fewer children will go hungry and the meals children do receive at school will be more nutritious,” Matsui added. “This legislation is helping bring our nation back into balance, where we are feeding those who go hungry and making

enormous progress in making sure that the food all children receive at school fits their nutritional needs.”

This legislation will have an enormous impact on Sacramento schools, by expanding the number of kids who are eligible for reduced or free lunches, as well as providing balanced meals. [As Sacramento education leaders have said](#) , healthier meals will also increase student performance and achievement.

To learn more about the “Let’s Move” and how to get involved, please visit www.letsmove.gov

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