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Minnick endorsed by NFIB

Coeur d'Alene, ID - In these tough times, people are looking for elected officials who deliver on their promises of helping small-business owners succeed and create jobs.

Idaho Congressman Walt Minnick has done just that, and today he won the endorsement of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB.) The group is the nation's leading organization representing small and independent businesses.

"Congressman Walt Minnick's commitment to Idaho's Main Street businesses speaks for itself. He has been a strong and independent leader, understanding that small business truly is the engine that will grow this economy," said Lisa Goeas, NFIB's vice president for political operations. "Voting three times against the healthcare law and against harmful cap-and-trade legislation, it's clear Congressman Minnick understands that new taxes and regulations will not help small business and will hinder future job growth. In a time when many in Congress just talk about helping small business, Congressman Minnick has actually worked to find ways to deliver on it."

Walt thanked NFIB for the endorsement, and said that he will continue carrying the cause of small-business owners in the next session of Congress.

"Small businesses are the driver of Idaho's economy," he said. "Whether it's a local coffee shop, an auto mechanic down the street or a family-owned grocery store, Idaho is fortunate to have so many businesses driven by entrepreneurs who reflect our shared values of independence and fiscal responsibility. I am honored to have their endorsement."

Walt also highlighted his work for the constituents of the First Congressional District.

"My opponent has little experience in business and zero in economic development, yet he attacks me and shouts, 'Where are the jobs?'" Minnick said. "Well, the jobs are in Emmett, where folks have a working mill for the first time in years. The jobs are in Sandpoint, where a local sand-and-gravel operation got its certification to bid on big contracts. The jobs are in Boise, where a car wash won its battle with the IRS. Those communities and many more know, as I do, that the best thing a Congressman can do is roll up his sleeves and get to work. That's what I've done for Idaho every day, and it is what I will continue to do in the next session of Congress."

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