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Ford Promotes the Growth of Small Businesses and Jobs

Goes to Washington, D.C. to gather support for effort

CHICAGO – “In this difficult economy, Illinois should turn its focus on the creation of new small businesses and empowering current businesses,” said Representative La Shawn K. Ford today. “Small businesses across the state account for over 50 percent of the work force. During a time when government is forced to make cuts, job creation is not on the list of priorities. We must bring small businesses to the table if we plan to create jobs. Government has met with and bailed out Wall Street to stabilize the economy; now we must have a plan to meet with small businesses owners, hear their needs, and put into action the best ways to support them and other new businesses. We must partner with and empower small businesses if we plan to improve our workforce and bring down unemployment.”

Ford went to Washington, D.C. yesterday to gather support for this effort, and he will meet with members of Illinois’ congressional delegation, including Reps. Davis and Rush and Senator Kirk. Tonight Ford will also be attending the State of the Union address by President Obama. “It is my hope that President Obama will speak of the importance of working with states to help businesses on Main Street, to create a stronger state of our union,” said Rep. Ford.

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