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Dear Friends,

Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Bill

On Thursday I voted for and the House passed H.R. 2892, the Conference Report for the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Bill. This is one of the most essential votes Congress makes to ensure that our nation is able to patrol and secure our borders, detain or deport illegal immigrants, maintain effective security at our airports, or provide disaster assistance after hurricanes. This bill appropriates \$42.77 billion in discretionary spending for FY '10, a 1.7% increase from last year, which will provide funding for a wide variety of agencies, including U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Transportation Security Administration, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Coast Guard, and FEMA. These funds will help enable our nation to remain secure and at the forefront of intelligence.

Iran Sanctions Enabling Act of 2009

On Tuesday I voted for and the House passed on H.R. 1327, the Iran Sanctions Enabling Act of 2009. This bill provides local and state governments with the authority to divest from people conducting more than \$20 million in Iran's energy sector. Moreover, this bill will provide protection mechanisms for people and businesses that choose to divest from or refrain from investing in the aforementioned companies.

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Congressman McCaul meets with members of the Texas Army National Guard. Pictured are: BG James Brown, Deputy Commander of Logistics, LTC Douglas O'Connell, Ryan Welch, and Col. Guy Schultz.



Congressman McCaul addresses members of the Austin Chamber of Commerce at their education event in Washington.



Congressman McCaul meets with Karen Nussle, President and CEO of Ripple Communications and Dan Martin, Policy Advocate from the International Center for Research on Women about international child marriages.

With Warmest Regards,

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