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Dear Patriot,

Greetings to our constituents, fellow Floridians, and all Americans, it is time again for my weekly update report to you. These have been some critical weeks for the fiscal future of our America and I continue to pray for the wisdom and discernment of Solomon.

Our National debt is now 70% of our GDP, and we know that our past two quarters America has had 0.5% and 1.3% GDP growth. That is simply why we can no longer raise our debt ceiling without any consideration of curtailing government spending.

Federal government spending is currently 24.4% of our GDP which is why we must "cap" federal government spending and get it aligned with incoming revenues, at approximately 18-20%. It is about making the federal government accountable, implementing spending controls, and enforcing spending discipline.

I keep hearing the President talk about a "balanced approach" when what we need is a balanced budget. There can be no long term resolution to this issue of federal government debt unless we have a balanced budget amendment. Washington has a spending problem and that is what greatly affects our middle class and the future for our children and grandchildren.

Let us show we are responsible to the American people, let's send them a balanced budget amendment which would promote certainty and peace of mind.

In less than three years, President Obama and his failed economic policies have resulted in nearly \$4 trillion of new debt. That is not a balanced approach... we need a realistic approach.

This is about America and this is about economic freedom. No one in Congress is holding the American people hostage. Those individuals who in the years since 2007 added close to \$6 trillion in new debt are the ones holding the future of our country hostage.

Washington has enough money to meet America's needs. It is time to cut spending, not raise taxes.

I keep hearing my Democrat colleagues speak of "compromise," This hypocrisy is laughable. Where was the compromise from Democrats with the Patient

### Clip of the Week



*Talking Debt Negotiations with Fox Sunday's Shannon Bream*

### Article of the Week



Wall Street

Journal:

*"A Tea Party Triumph"*

### Service and Sacrifice



**SGT. Alejandro Morales is our Soldier of the Week!**

**Age:** 27

**Stationed:** Ft. Lauderdale

**Unit:** 724th Military Police BN, Ft. Lauderdale

**Active** for 8 years, **Reserve**

Protection and Affordable Care Act (Obamacare), the nearly \$1 trillion stimulus bill, or Cap and Trade?

Enough with the rhetorical demagoguery from liberal progressives about oil subsidies (I believe we need to cut the corporate/business tax rate to 20% from 35% and eliminate subsidies and loopholes), on taxing the rich and "shared sacrifice" (the top 1% of taxpayers pay 34% taxes, top 5% taxpayers pay 57% of taxes, top 25% taxpayers pay 86% of federal taxes... move to a flat personal income tax of 13-15% and eliminate loopholes), and no more about corporate jets (this is only about a \$300 million in savings per year, and the Democrats fail to remember, it was President Obama who added this tax loophole into his stimulus bill).

Revenues come from tax code reform, not tax increases!

It is time for common sense, real solutions, because the definition of insanity is to continue to do the same thing and expect different results.

Steadfast and Loyal,

Allen

## Legislative Lowdown

The major piece of legislation this past week was the Budget Control Act of 2011 (Speaker Boehner plan), it passed 218-210, I voted YES. Please see a letter I wrote to the American people on my vote [here](#).

Here are the summary points;

- Cuts and caps federal spending by \$917 billion over 10 years while raising the debt ceiling by \$900 billion. This is the first time in United States history that the debt limit raise has been accompanied by an amount equal or more than the spending cuts. Implements federal spending budget caps same as in "Cut, Cap, and Balance" and auto spending cuts if a cap is exceeded, not in case of national emergency.

- Cuts \$22 billion in spending (discretionary) and holds spending below Fiscal Year 2010 levels until Fiscal Year 2016.

- Continues to reduce discretionary spending each year compared to President Obama's budget by: \$96 billion in Fiscal Year 2012, \$118 billion in Fiscal Year 2013, \$115 billion in Fiscal Year 2014, \$117 billion in Fiscal Year 2015.

- Before the President can request a second installment on the debt ceiling raise, a joint Congressional committee must draft proposals to produce an additional \$1.8 trillion in mandatory spending savings and improvements to preserve these programs.

- Also, a Balanced Budget Amendment must be sent to the states before a second installment of raising the debt ceiling can be done.

This was not the perfect plan as articulated by Speaker Boehner, but in my

for 1 year

**Hometown:** Miami

**Deployed to Iraq,**  
2005-2006

**What do you love most about serving?** *"I love wearing the uniform everyday and knowing when I wake up someone has my back."*

**Fun Facts/hobbies?** *"I enjoy running marathons, training for ultra marathons, working out, spending time with my wife Ydalmis Perez-Morales, who has been with me for my entire military career."*

## Small Business Spotlight



## Cloud Computing

**Owner:** Rick Mancinelli

**Service:** IT, computer networking for small businesses

**Location:** 301 Yamato Road, Boca Raton

**12 years in business**  
**8 employees**

**Success Story:** When the market took a nosedive, Mancinelli adjusted with

assessment it was the 70-75% common sense solution to keep moving the discussion forward. However, not a single Democrat supported the plan, 22 Republicans voted against it, and the United States Senate has tabled it.

I have "compromised" because I never wanted to see an increase in our debt. I believe we, as responsible legislators, must consider the worst case course of action. For me that means ensuring our nation does not default on its debt obligations nor have increased interest rates. However, the issue is spending, so we must begin the mission of realistically and truthfully cutting spending.

Doing nothing is not an option for me, rejecting viable solutions is just as reprehensible, and my real desire? See the common sense solution of "Cut, Cap, and Balance" be signed by the President.

## DC/District Highlights

**Monday, 25 July;** Sponsored a presentation on Capitol Hill by the Citizens for National Security (CFNS) located in Boca Raton, Florida on homegrown Islamic terrorism centered on Muslim Brotherhood infiltration. There were those who sought to ridicule only to be silenced within the week with the revelations of another Muslim soldier planning an attack, at Ft. Hood Texas.

Met with Mrs. Vicki Behenna, mother of US Army 1LT Michael Behenna, who has been incarcerated at Ft. Leavenworth for over two years for killing a known al Qaeda terrorist in Iraq. We are working to get this before the House Armed Services Committee.

**Tuesday, 26 July;** House Armed Service Committee hearing on Authorization of Use of Military Force: current status of legal authorities, detention, and prosecution in the War on Terror... the hearing focused on how we are prosecuting illegal enemy combatants. We cannot continue to provide constitutional rights and American civilian courts to these non-state, non-uniformed belligerents. Met with several US Army Special Operations Force members to discuss their Village Stability Operations in Afghanistan and Philippines (where Abu Sayyaf is still a viable threat). Met with West Palm Beach Mayor, Jeri Muoio, to discuss city initiatives and our continued support.

**Wednesday, 27 July;** Attended House Armed Services Committee hearing on Afghanistan way ahead, panel members were retired US Army Generals Keane and Bardo and former Under Secretary of Defense Bing West. Addressed the Black Republican Congressional staff, about 35 members, about my responsibility to them for mentoring and development... and praised them for their hard work and commitment. Conducted a tele-townhall meeting to compensate for the cancellation of our monthly district town halls due to changed Capitol Hill schedule.

**Thursday, 28 July;** Participated in the Small Business subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight, and Regulations on the impact of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, a new government bureaucracy.

**Friday, 29 July;** After voting on the Budget Control Act of 2011, led a Leadership Special Order presentation on House floor on Small Business and the regulatory

**the times. He changed the concept of his company, saving himself money and saving his clients money.**

**Mancinelli says: "We had to reinvent ourselves or we could have gone down with so many others. We decided to begin offering services virtually, rather than in person. Not only did it save us time and money, we were able to broaden our customer base to reach customers around the country. "**

## Photo of the Week



## My Summer Interns

Cory, Noah, Matt, Elyse & Doug

*I could not have gotten through the past few weeks without their help & dedication!*

*They are fine young patriots!*

## Did you miss it?

More than 14,000 people tuned in to my July 27th telephone town hall.

Listen below in case you missed it!

[Rep. West's](#)

environment effects upon job creation. See video [here](#).

[Tele-Town Hall](#)

**Saturday, 30 July**; Voted against the Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid debt proposal which contained close to \$1.5 trillion of budget gimmicks and phantom war savings... .as well contained some \$880 billion in cuts to defense which is \$400 billion above the cuts we have already made. Incoming Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, US Army General Dempsey articulated the detrimental effect that would have.

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