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Dear Patriot,

Greetings to our constituents, fellow Floridians, and all Americans, it is time again for our weekly update. It is hard to believe that almost nine months have gone by.

I want to begin with the issue of the unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state in the United Nations. Because of a short-sighted speech given last year by our own President at the United Nations, we saw an emboldened Mahmoud Abbas submit his request for statehood. A request for the creation of something that even in its name is a misnomer.

As I have often stated, the word Palestine has nothing to do with Arabs. It has everything to do with a region that was conquered by the Romans who suppressed the Jewish rebellion between 68-73 AD and by decree of Emperor Hadrian, who changed the region's name from Judea to Palestina.

Hadrian and the Romans took the word Palestina from the root word, Phillistia, referring to the original Philistines, who were in fact Greek. Therefore, the true "Palestinians" are the Jewish people, hence why I believe the first step to a peace process solution in the Middle East is recognition of the modern-day Jewish State of Israel. The second step is a complete repudiation of radical Islamic terrorism and dismantling of terrorist groups such as Hamas, Islamic Jihad, Al Aqsa and Al Quds Brigades, Hezbollah, and others which threaten Israel.

If these critical conditions cannot be met, and if Mahmoud Abbas cannot agree to this, then his attempts are nothing more than a charade. The audacity of Abbas to attempt to circumvent the negotiation process, and the applause he received at the United Nations is very concerning to me.

The United States must adamantly oppose and submit its veto vote in the United Nations Security Council and unequivocally assert that we shall not support this measure until the "Palestinian" Authority evidences itself as a credible peace partner.

If the UN continues its support of Abbas without the above measures taking place, then the United States House of Representatives should withdraw the support of the American taxpayer dollars to both the United Nations and the Palestinian Authority. In times of economic hardship, fiscal

Video Highlight



9/23: Fox News with Neil Cavuto

"I don't want a shutdown"

In the News



9/22: NPR's "Tell Me More"
"President wants to pick a fight"

Service and Sacrifice

responsibility means that we are the guardians and stewards of American taxpayer dollars.

I also want to confront the absurdity of Iran's Mahmoud Ahmadinejad having a platform on our soil upon which to spew his vile rhetoric. There must come a time when Ahmadinejad is no longer granted a visa into the United States. How dare he stand in New York City and blame 9-11 on our America!

Lastly, I want to discuss the Continuing Resolution (CR) the House of Representatives passed this week. It is vital that we as Conservative Republicans learn to and demonstrate our ability to govern, something the liberal progressives seem to be incapable of doing. We passed a measure which would keep our Federal Government functioning while we complete the remaining six appropriations bills. There are a total of 12 bills and the United States Senate has only taken up one.

Part of the CR, ensures the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is funded in order to alleviate the suffering of Americans from the recent natural disaster which struck our nation. To be fiscally responsible, House Republicans found spending offsets to ensure we pay attention to our deficit issue. That offset came from a Department of Energy government loan program for "green" vehicles. The Federal Government does not need to inject itself into the automobile industry, or any private sector industry, as it has done with the mortgage industry and now the healthcare industry.

I call upon Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid to stop playing the games of political brinkmanship and pass the House legislation. We do not need to repeatedly portray the United States Congress as a dysfunctional body politic. I ask you, Senator Reid, to stop trying to maneuver and manipulate a failing political agenda at the expense of the American people and "Pass the House Continuing Resolution, now!"

In closing, never forget that leadership is about taking action, it is different from managing. Our America needs principled and pragmatic leaders who have a deep passion for this country, the American people and their advancement and success.

Steadfast and Loyal,

Allen

Legislative Lowdown

- **Continuing Resolution** — On Thursday, the House approved H.R. 2608, a Continuing Resolution (CR) to provide short-term appropriated funding for discretionary government operations through November 18, 2011, by a vote of 219-203. Under the current CR (H.R. 1473), appropriations are set to expire after September 30, 2011, the end of the fiscal year. H.R. 2608 continues government operations and services and allows time for Congress to complete the Fiscal Year 2012 Appropriations bills. H.R. 2608 would provide \$1.043 trillion in appropriated funding for government operations. This is the same funding level required under budget caps contained in the Budget Control Act and represents a 1.5 percent cut from Fiscal Year 2011. Compared to Fiscal Year 2010 spending levels (\$1.089 trillion), this CR represents a cut of \$46 billion. The bill also includes a total of \$3.65 billion in disaster relief funding, offset by reductions to the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program. H.R. 2608 will be considered subject to an amendment that



Captain Julian Kilcullen

Age: 25

Hometown: Fort Lauderdale

MOS: Former Infantry, currently working as a recruitment officer

Unit/Stationed: Currently recruiting in Frederick, Maryland

Deployed: Iraq and Afghanistan, once in each theater

Parents: Brian and Danita Kilcullen, Fort Lauderdale

Fun facts/Hobbies: Jujitsu, grappling, visiting historic battle sites with girlfriend, Sylvia

Small Business Spotlight



Steve Coldren, BIS Digital, Inc

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would rescind \$100 million from the Department of Energy Loan Guarantee program that provide \$535 million in loan guarantees to the now-bankrupt solar energy company, Solyndra.

- **TRAIN Act** — On Friday, the House approved H.R. 2401, the Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation (TRAIN) Act, by a vote of 249-169. The bill would establish a committee to evaluate the economic impacts of EPA regulations and delays the final date for both the Utility MACT and CSAPR rules until the full impact has been studied. The Utility MACT final rule is expected on November 16, 2011 and will establish “maximum achievable control technology” standards for emissions of mercury, acid gases and non-mercury metals from power plants. The CSAPR (Cross-State Air Pollution Rule) was announced in July 2011 and will establish statewide caps for sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide emissions from power plants. The Environmental Protection Agency rules will affect electricity prices for nearly all American consumers. National Economic Research Associates (NERA) estimates preliminary costs for the two rules to be \$17.8 billion annually with 1.44 million jobs lost by 2020.

DC Highlights

- **Monday, 19 September;** Addressed the Fifth Annual Republicans for Black Empowerment reception event in Washington DC.

- **Tuesday, 20 September;** Met with AIPAC leaders regarding the Palestinian statehood initiative, addressed the National Association of Federal Credit Unions, participated in first House Armed Services Committee panel on Contracting and the Department of Defense, addressed the American Conservative Union Legacy Council Legislative Conference dinner.

- **Wednesday, 21 September;** Spoke at the “United Through Reading” reception promoting reading programs for deployed servicemen and women with their children, participated in a Small Business Committee hearing on regulation review, addressed the Florida and California Bankers Associations.

- **Thursday, 22 September;** Participated in the opening of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) Annual Legislative Council, panel member for “African-Americans in the Military: Past, Present, and Future” as part of the CBC event- See photos [here](#), participated in a House Armed Services Committee hearing on Afghanistan National Security Forces, met with Army Captain Ben Scott Jr, son of a fellow University of Tennessee alum and ROTC graduate, Ben Scott Sr. with whom I served.

- **Friday, 23 September;** recorded a five-minute video for the Florida Christian Schools Association, participated in a House Armed Services Committee subcommittee hearing on Arlington National Cemetery improvements.

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