

(WASHINGTON) ---- Congressman Allen West (FL-22) released the following statement on Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan's proposed fiscal year 2012 budget:

“Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan’s proposed fiscal year 2012 budget is an honest and straight forward step in bringing fiscal discipline to our Federal Government, and it will lower the deficit, create jobs and strengthen our economy.

Chairman Ryan’s budget will cut 6.2 trillion dollars from the Federal Deficit over the next 10 years, which is a dramatic contrast to President Barack Obama’s budget to raise taxes by \$1.5 trillion and continue the endless spree of deficit spending.

It is important we start to have an honest debate about the role of the Federal Government and treat the American people like adults instead of treating them like children, as the liberal progressives do, by making excuses for and ignoring the facts regarding the fiscal mess our nation faces.

Today, with this proposed budget, the Democrats will start the constant drumbeat of their empty emotional rhetoric. They will claim this budget will hurt every category of Americans, and subdivide this country for their own political gamesmanship and mantra of “fear.” One only need consider their failure to realize they have no credibility.

The only fear Americans need to face is that our nation is on a fiscal path towards a catastrophe.

Chairman Ryan’s budget reins in spending and balances the budget without raising taxes or hurting our seniors and shows the American people we are serious about reducing our deficit, eliminating our debt, strengthening our economy and creating a brighter future for the next generation.”

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