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## **SCHAKOWSKY STATEMENT ON THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT**

Washington, D.C. –U.S. Representative Jan Schakowsky (D-IL), a Democratic Chief

“Madame Speaker, I rise today in strong support of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Two weeks ago, I stood on the House floor and listed the top ten reasons to support this bill.

Our country is facing the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression—we lost 2.6 million jobs.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will help get our economy back on track and create jobs.

Under this bill, Illinois will receive billions of dollars and it is estimated that this bill would save 1.5 million jobs.

As President Obama has said, this bill is not perfect, but it provides immediate and targeted relief.