

SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE

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STATEMENT BY SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN KENT CONRAD (D-ND) ON BUDGET COMMITTEE PASSAGE OF FY 2009 SENATE BUDGET RESOLUTION

“I am very pleased that my budget resolution has been passed by the Budget Committee and sent to the Senate floor. I look forward to the full Senate taking it up next week.

“This budget will strengthen the economy, create jobs, and make America safer. It will allow for additional stimulus for the economy to respond to the current economic downturn. It provides tax relief for the middle class. It makes needed investments in energy, education, infrastructure, and health care. It supports our troops, cares for our veterans, and protects the homeland.

“And this budget is fiscally responsible. It reduces debt and spending as a share of GDP. And it returns the budget to surplus in 2012 and 2013. This budget begins to make the changes that are needed to put our nation back on a sound fiscal course.”

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