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RSC Elects Congressman Tom Price Chairman for 111th Congress

WASHINGTON, D.C. – <u>The Republican Study Committee</u> (RSC), the caucus of House Conservatives, today elected Congressman Tom Price (R-GA) as its Chairman for the 111th Congress. Price was nominated by the RSC Founders on Wednesday afternoon and confirmed by unanimous consent by the entire membership on Thursday evening.

Representing the Sixth District of Georgia, Congressman Price was elected to Congress in 2004. He received a Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Michigan, completed his residency at Emory University, and practiced orthopedic surgery for more than twenty years in metro Atlanta. Prior to coming to Congress, Price served four terms in the Georgia State Senate, rising to become the first ever Senate Republican Majority Leader in the state. In Congress, he has been a vocal supporter of conservative principles including fundamental tax reform, limiting government spending, and ensuring patient-centered health care.

Price issued the following statement after being selected RSC Chairman:

"It is a humbling honor to have the Founders' and members' support to serve as the next Chairman of the Republican Study Committee. The RSC has served as the positive, conservative guidepost in Congress. As the Republican Party and our nation stand at a critical point in history, it is time to embrace our conservative, common-sense principles and communicate a positive vision for the future.

"Fundamental American principles and solutions are needed now more than ever before. RSC members are enthusiastic about the opportunity to productively participate in formulating solutions for the remarkable challenges we face. We will renew our proud legacy and regain our strength in order to set our nation on the course for a better tomorrow."

Jeb Hensarling (R-TX), the current RSC Chairman, issued the following statement:

"Republican Study Committee Members were blessed to have two great conservative champions considered for the Chairman post for the 111th Congress. Marsha Blackburn is a great friend and an even better communicator, and will no doubt continue to be a leader in the Republican Conference in the days ahead.

"Tom Price is going to make one heck of a Chairman for the Republican Study Committee, and I am going to be excited to help him in any way that I possibly can to promote the conservative cause. He is the consummate workhorse, political strategist, and policymaker, and will ensure that conservatives will aggressively fight for the common-sense principles that hardworking Americans support. His organization and leadership of the Republican energy revolt and floor protest in August – which culminated with Democrats backing down on the offshore drilling moratorium – is just a glimpse of the energy that Tom Price will bring to Congress each and everyday as Chairman of the RSC."

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Congressman Jeb Hensarling is Chairman of the Republican Study Committee (RSC).