

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

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## STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

## <u>H.R. 9 - Fannie Lou Hamer, Rosa Parks, and Coretta Scott King Voting Rights Act</u> <u>Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 2006</u>

(Rep. Sensenbrenner (R) Wisconsin and 152 cosponsors)

The Administration is strongly committed to renewing the Voting Rights Act, and therefore supports House passage of H.R. 9. The Voting Rights Act is one of the most significant pieces of civil rights legislation in the Nation's history, and the President has directed the full power and resources of the Justice Department to protect each citizen's right to vote and to preserve the integrity of the Nation's voting process. The Administration is pleased the House is taking action to renew this important legislation. The Administration supports the legislative intent of H.R. 9 to overturn the U.S. Supreme Court's 2003 decision in *Georgia v. Ashcroft* and its 2000 decision in *Reno v. Bossier Parish School Board*.

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