

Washington D.C. – Congressman McCarthy issued the following statement after the U.S. Department of Labor announced a 9.7% national unemployment rate in February and that an additional 36,000 jobs were lost last month.

“This is yet another disappointing report that shows 36 thousand Americans lost their jobs last month. Since the stimulus was signed into law, over 3 million jobs have been lost and Congress continues to pursue an ideological agenda that creates economic uncertainty instead of jobs. If this Congress is serious about job creation, they would heed the call of the American people and scrap this government take over of health care bill that raises taxes on small businesses and increases premiums for American families, adding further economic uncertainty to a time of continuing high unemployment.”

“If we want to help Americans get back to work, Washington needs to change and get past its appetite for record high deficits, spending, and borrowing. That is why my colleagues and I are calling for a no-cost jobs plan that creates a stronger economic environment of certainty by reducing burdensome regulations, stopping looming tax increases, and approving free trade agreements that create more jobs through more exports.”

Reminder:

On Monday, March 8, 2010, Congressman McCarthy will host a [Job Resource Expo](#) in Bakersfield to help connect potential local employers and job seekers. All job seekers are encouraged to attend. Participants do not need to RSVP.

When:

Monday, March 8, 2010 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (PST)

Where: ☐ ☐ ☐

Bakersfield Downtown Marriott 801 Truxtun Avenue Bakersfield, CA 93301

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