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**SUE MYRICK'S RECORD SHOWS ONLY JOB SHE CARES ABOUT IS HER OWN**

*While Rep. Myrick trolls for votes at Charlotte job fair, advocates for workers will protest her votes for job-killing trade deals, cuts to Social Security and Medicare, and against federal unemployment benefits*

Charlotte, N.C. – August 1, 2011 – U.S. Representative Sue Myrick will attend a local job fair at Central Piedmont Community College on August 2, but Myrick's voting record in Congress shows the only job that concerns her is her own.

According to the most recent data from the Employment Security Commission, Charlotte has an 11.2 percent unemployment rate, and Rep. Myrick bears some of the blame for that sorry statistic. Myrick's support for bad trade deals cost her district 3,000 manufacturing jobs when Continental Tire closed shop in 2007. Myrick voted to bailout Wall Street after its reckless behavior led to our current jobs crisis but voted to weaken financial reforms that would protect workers and employers from the next one. Myrick has voted time and again against federal unemployment benefits and Trade Adjustment Assistance for the jobless. In April, Myrick voted to adopt the Ryan budget that would end Medicare as we know it. Now, Myrick is using the threat of default on our nation's debt to push through job-killing austerity measures that would undermine our fragile economic recovery.

"If Sue Myrick really cares about unemployment," says Charlotte-area resident Greg Lance, "then she should stop voting for bad trade deals and start investing in jobs for American workers."

People need jobs and employers need customers who can afford to buy their goods and services. No one needs photo ops for cynical politicians. When it comes to our jobs crisis, Rep. Sue Myrick is part of the problem, and we will be there to let her know it.

What: Picket of Rep. Sue Myrick's appearance at local job fair

When: Tuesday, August 2, 2011 handbill at 8:00am and picket at 9:00am

Where: Outside Harris Conference Center, 3216 CPCC Harris Campus Dr, Charlotte, NC

Why: Rep. Sue Myrick is trolling for votes from jobless workers she votes against

Who: Action NC, NC State AFL-CIO, and activists fed up with Rep. Myrick's cynical, self-interested politics

For more information or to schedule an interview with an unemployed worker, retiree, local labor leader, or an officer of the NC State AFL-CIO, call Jeremy Sprinkle at 336-255-2711.

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