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“Meet the New Faces of the 112th Congress”

Ripon Society Hosts Roundtable with 9 Members of incoming freshmen class

The Ripon Society hosted a roundtable breakfast discussion this morning with nine members of the incoming freshman class of the U.S. House of Representatives.

“The American people sent Washington a message last fall,” stated Jim Conzelman, the President & CEO of The Ripon Society. “They want change, they want accountability, and they want a government that spends less and is more responsible with their tax dollars.

“The nine new Members we hosted this morning understand this message for one simple reason – it’s what they campaigned on last year. It’s also what helped them win the election in November, and a promise they have all pledged to uphold now that they have taken the oath of office.

“The purpose of this morning’s roundtable was to hear more about their plans for this year, and how they plan to move forward with this message and carry out this pledge in the 112th Congress.”

The new Members participating in the roundtable discussion were: Representatives Mo Brooks (AL-5); Jeff Duncan (SC-3); Chuck Fleischmann (TN-3); Billy Long (MO-7); Kristi Noem (SD-at large); David McKinley (WV-1); Jon Runyan (NJ-3); Steve Stivers (OH-15); and, Marlin Stutzman (IN-3).

Also appearing and providing opening remarks to kick-off the discussion was Representative Pat Tiberi (OH-12), who is beginning his sixth term in Congress and is the new House Co-Chair of The Ripon Society’s Honorary Congressional Advisory Board.

According to Conzelman, the format of the roundtable was intended to foster discussion among the featured participants and those who attended the event. The Members circulated among the tables, answering questions and discussing the many concerns that people had.

Conzelman also noted that this was the first roundtable discussion The Ripon Society has hosted in 2011 and



South Dakota Representative Kristi Noem makes remarks at The Ripon Society roundtable on January 6.

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the seventh since December 2009. Previous events have featured senior members of House Speaker John Boehner’s staff, senior members of House Majority Leader Eric Cantor’s staff, Ranking Members of the House Financial Services Committee, Ranking Members of the Ways & Means Committee, and senior staff members from both the House and the Senate. On average, about 90 people were in attendance for those roundtables, while today’s event drew over 110.

The Ripon Society is a public policy organization that was founded in 1962 and takes its name from the town where the Republican Party was born in 1854 – Ripon, Wisconsin. One of the main goals of The Ripon Society is to promote the ideas and principles that have made America great and contributed to the GOP’s success. These ideas include keeping our nation secure, keeping taxes low and having a federal government that is smaller, smarter and more accountable to the people.

For more information on The Ripon Society, please visit <http://www.riponsociety.org>. **RS**



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